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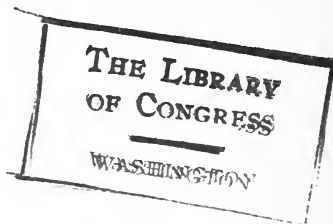
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To HER

*Who in the first days of our married life knelt with
me at the newly-erected Family Altar, and who,
in all the years that lie between that
time and this, has helped me
to maintain the daily
service,*

I DEDICATE THIS VOLUME

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PREFACE.

MOST persons who offer extemporaneous prayer, sometimes find it difficult to vary the language so as to avoid sameness ; and this feeling may interfere with true devotion. Few probably, except clergymen, have such facility and variety of expression as to be able to offer daily the prayers of a household without falling into certain set forms of petition and thanksgiving. These forms may be not less fixed and uniform than a printed liturgy, and may be possibly not so good.

There are times too when even those who are fluent in prayer, whether from want of health, or unusual fatigue, or distraction of mind, feel that they would prefer, for the time, to be relieved from the necessity of composing a prayer which is to be (or ought to be) the devotional language of a household, and would gladly avail themselves of a proper form of prayer, if one were convenient, or possibly,

not being able readily to introduce the subject of the Scripture lesson into his petition, one might be willing to avail himself of a few devotional thoughts on that passage, as the central thought of his prayer, thus making his petitions partly read and partly extemporaneous. To such, this book may prove a help.

In families where there are children it is well to have the family worship so conducted that the younger members may take a part, not in reading the Scripture lessons verse by verse, thus passing round the circle, a custom attended with some infelicities, but by responsive prayers. Provision has been made for such, in some of these forms.

It is not intended that those who use this Book should abandon extemporaneous prayer. There are times when no written forms may be used, when under deep affliction, or when the heart is thoroughly aroused and excited and revived, nothing but fervent outpourings of unprepared language will meet the wants of the soul. But such experiences and such excitement of the emotional nature are not usually long continued.

It is the belief of the writer that every professor of religion at the head of a household, should daily, and *twice a day*, assemble that household for the worship of God.

In many cases it is not possible for such person to offer extemporaneous prayer. Here are forms for worship—simple—scriptural—appropriate. Any one who can read at all, can conduct family worship with this aid.

Why should not every good citizen at the head of a family, whether he be a professor of religion or not, worship God in his house? This is no place for argument, but if a man believes in God, he should worship him, and if it is right for an individual man to worship God, it is surely right and proper that he should lead his family in this duty. There may be, there are, many persons who are not members of the church but who are Christians, honoring God and living conscientiously, who kneel and pray to God in their chambers; why should not such worship God in the family? Here are short simple forms of prayer for such.

There are some persons who do not like extemporaneous prayer at all, and who think that such prayers ought to be confined to the closet, who can best worship in stately forms, sanctified by long usage and association with Christian experience for centuries. Such will find forms in this Book adapted to their wants.

These forms have been drawn from every source

within the compiler's reach. The number of books on this subject is legion, but no one that the writer has ever seen is so varied in its character and authorship as this.

It may be added that this compilation is the work of a layman ; and that it has been prepared for the use of families of all Christian denominations.

PHILADELPHIA, August 1873.

INTRODUCTION.

THE great Father of all mankind has appointed his earthly children to live together in households and families. Before the Church, before the State, before every other form of social organization, in age, in influence and in importance, is the sacred society of the family. If prayer be appropriate in the Church, or in the halls of legislation, much more is it appropriate in the private home from whence come all life and growth to the Church, all strength and security to the State.

God himself dwells in the families that fear him in all generations. He is their guardian in danger, their comforter in sorrow, their helper in every time of need. It is due to him that his presence shall be sought and his favor esteemed, above all price, wherever the family finds a home. It is right and

becoming that every heart in the household shall turn to him with trust and love wherever his guardianship keeps the night and his blessing brings the day.

Every human home should be a house of worship, a place of pure, exalted and daily intercourse with the infinite and eternal Cod. The duty, the privilege and the profit of prayer are the same to all. All alike need to be exalted, purified and gladdened by the daily offering of thanksgiving and praise.

“For what are men better than sheep or goats,
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands of prayer,
Both for themselves and for the whole round world.”

And the daily prayer of the household should be not simply a cry of fear and pain and trouble, but a free, open and happy converse of loving and dutiful children with a great and a good Father. They know very little of prayer who pray only when they are saddened or afflicted. The truest and best prayer is the truest and best expression of trust and love. The morning worship of the household should go forth to God as freely and naturally as the birds sing and the flowers blossom when the darkness melts into dawn and light awakes the world.

This manual of Household Worship has been compiled with the conviction that many heads of families would gladly consecrate their home with the daily sacrifice of prayer and praise, if they could once be put in the way of doing it with acceptance and propriety. This book will give to such just the help they need. These sacred forms of daily worship give expression to all the desires, the necessities and aspirations of the human heart. They can easily be taken up and appropriated by the devout and thoughtful of every age and in every condition of life. They are simple enough for the child, and they are sufficiently full in thought and finished in expression for the most mature and cultivated mind. They will grow in sacredness and meaning and propriety to those who use them with the constancy of the returning day and with the progress of advancing years.

To those who would learn the language of devotion by the study of the best models in experience and in expression ; to those who would give variety, fulness and elevation to the worship of the household, by the intermingling of other thoughts with their own ; to those who dare not trust to themselves in conducting so sacred a service ; to all who would

make home precious to every member of the family, by the daily consecration of prayer and praise, this book must come as a kind teacher, a safe guide and a welcome friend.

DANIEL MARCH.

HOUSEHOLD WORSHIP.

First Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis i.

O LORD, the Creator of heaven and earth, we draw near to thee, humbly, as becometh creatures, and yet in confiding love, as becometh thy children. Create in us clean hearts, we beseech thee. May the Holy Spirit move on our souls, and transform us by his blessed presence. May the light of the glorious gospel shine into our understandings. Do thou say of us, Let there be light. May there be no night of ignorance, or error, or sorrow, or death, within us. May we be fruitful in every good work. May the fruits of the Holy Spirit, love, joy, faith, temperance, patience, brotherly kindness, flourish abundantly within us. Let the Day-star arise in our hearts. May the Sun of righteousness shine upon us with healing in his wings. [May our children be blessings to us, useful to society, heirs of thy kingdom.] Sanctify to us and to our use the kindly fruits of the earth. In their season, and with thy blessing, may we enjoy them. Make the

outgoing of the morning and the evening to rejoice before us. We praise thee as the Creator and Governor of all. We hope in thee as the Restorer of all. Forgive our sins in the blood of Jesus. Speedily extirpate sin from creation, and again make all things new, and pronounce all again very good. Graciously hear and help us, O God of our salvation. Keep us this day without sin. Deliver us from every danger, sickness, and calamity. Never leave us; never, O God, forsake us, for our Redeemer's sake.

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace. All we ask is for Jesus' sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 1: 18-25. Isaiah 9: 6, 7.

OH GOD, at the close of the day we gather round the throne of thy heavenly grace. We praise thee for its benefits, its mercies, its privileges. For our health, and strength, and daily bread, we thank thee. For air, and light, and liberty, and innumerable personal and social blessings, we praise and glorify thee. Above all, for Immanuel, thine everlasting Son in our nature, we thank thee, and, with all that is within us we would magnify and bless thee. Increase, O Lord, our joy at his inter-

position for us. Increase our thankfulness. Increase our faith in him as the only Saviour of the guilty, as the perfect manifestation of thy character, thy holiness, thy love, thy justice, thy truth. In him may we ever seek thee. Reveal thyself to us in Christ Jesus as the Lord; the Lord God, merciful, gracious, long-suffering, abundant in goodness and truth; keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin. Deliver our souls, O Lord, from the guilt, the power, and the eternal penalties of sin. Justify us by the Lord our righteousness. Forgive us in the name of Immanuel. Purify our hearts from dead works. Quicken us, and we will call upon thy name. Lift on us the light of thy countenance, and bless us. Help us to count all but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ, and to be willing to part with all that we may win Christ; and when heart and flesh faint and fail, O be thou, gracious Father, the strength of our hearts, and our portion for ever. Defend us during the silent watches of the night. Let no evil come near our dwelling.

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God our Father, and the communion and fellowship of the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, be with us and ours evermore. Amen.

Second Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis 3.

HEAVENLY Father, we have sinned against heaven and before thee, and we are not worthy to be called thy sons. We have sinned, and we therefore suffer; we have no excuse. We are guilty before thee, poor, and miserable, and naked; without God, without Christ, and without any true hope. We deserve thy righteous judgment. We have justly been subjected to suffering. O Lord, forgive us, through the precious atonement made for us on Calvary. Let Christ's expiation be our pardon; let his righteousness be our covering. Let the Redeemer beat down Satan under our feet. Give us peace in the knowledge of this great truth, and when our bodies shall return to the dust, may it be in the sure hope of a glorious resurrection; and when our spirits shall return to thee, may our souls receive thy acquittal. May an abundant entrance into thy heavenly kingdom be administered to us. Driven from the first paradise in thy justice, may we by thy mercy in Christ be admitted into that everlasting paradise into which sin and Satan cannot enter. Give us now, O Lord, to eat of the tree of life, the fruit of which is for food, and its leaves for the healing of the nations. May we live for ever. Evermore give us the living bread. We

praise thee that thou hast opened for us in Christ the way to thee, and that thou art willing in him not only to forgive us, but also to take us back to thyself. We praise and magnify thy name. We thank thee. We bless thee. Keep us, O Lord, from unthankfulness. Preserve our souls. Let thy peace keep our hearts continually, through Jesus Christ. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, be ascribed equal and everlasting glory. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 2: 1-11.

ALMIGHTY God, let the Day-star arise in our hearts. Let our inner wants, and our outer trials, and all we feel, and all we suffer, lead us, as the star did the Magi, to Jesus. Let us worship him. Let us rest on him, and live in him, and in life and death be found in him. O help us to offer yet more precious gifts than gold, or frankincense, or myrrh,—the affections of our hearts, the faculties of our souls, the talents given us from thy hand, and the influence assigned to us in thy Providence. O God, give us grace by thy mercies to present ourselves, soul, and body, and spirit, living sacrifices, through Jesus Christ, which is our reasonable service. May we feel that all we have is from thee, that all we are is justly due to thee, and that it is our greatest happiness to render to thee the tribute so justly claimed by thee. Grant, O gracious

Father, that very soon all may know thee, worship thee, and serve thee, and all lands adore and praise Christ the King. May they that dwell in the wilderness bow before him. May his name be exalted above every name. May nations bless him, and be blessed in him. May the whole earth be filled with his glory. May the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our God, and his Christ. May Christ be exalted in our own land, in its laws, its councils, its schools, its universities. May righteousness flow down our streets. May our judges be ever just, and our exactors righteous. Take care of us this night and awaken us in health tomorrow morning, for Christ's sake. Amen.



Third Day.



MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis 4.

WE come to thee, holy Father, not trusting in ourselves, or in our own righteousness, for we all fade as a leaf, and our sins like the winds have carried us away. Our own hearts condemn us. Our sins and our iniquities are all known to thee, and naked in thy sight. We have not loved thee with all our hearts, nor our brethren as ourselves. Whatever of envy, jealousy, malice, hatred, ill-will, and uncharitableness, thou mayest have seen

in any of us, forgive, O Lord, forgive, we beseech thee. In the name of the Lamb, slain from the foundation of the world, blot out our sins, cleanse us from all our iniquities, accept us as righteous in the righteousness of Him in whom alone we have acceptance, and hope, and peace, and joy. Let thy Holy Spirit descend upon us, and upon all related to us, and purify our hearts, and spiritualize our affections, and fix them unchangeably on thee. Whatsoever things are just, and honest, and beautiful, and true, may we earnestly aspire after. In all trial, affliction, or bereavement, or tribulation of any kind, may we call upon thy name; and do thou, according to thy promise, send deliverance either in or from the visitation. Give us this day our daily bread. Supply all our wants. Open thy hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. May the lessons of thy holy word be applied to our minds by thy Holy Spirit. Sanctify us through the truth. Beget our souls to a living hope. Do us all the good we need. Keep us, blessed Lord, to thy kingdom and glory, through Jesus Christ our only Saviour. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 3 : 1-7.

BLESSED Lord, grant us true repentance, we earnestly beseech thee. Prepare our hearts for thy presence. Make ready a people for the

coming of the Son of man. Baptize thy church universal with the Holy Ghost. Forbid, O Lord, that we should substitute any earthly, or ecclesiastical, or civil privileges for vital religion, or trust in any thing for justification, save Jesus Christ and him crucified.

O heavenly Father, who didst say of Jesus, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased," accept us for his sake, as thy sons by adoption and heirs of thy kingdom.

Blessed Jesus, who didst humble thyself to be baptized by him who was unworthy to bear thy shoes, pour down upon us, according to thy promise, the Comforter, the Spirit of truth, that he may teach us all things, and bring all things to our remembrance whatsoever thou didst say unto us.

Eternal Spirit, who spakest by the prophets, who didst descend from the opening heaven like a dove, and light upon Jesus, descend on this family, take possession of our hearts, anoint us with thy holy unction, and make our souls thy temple.

Holy and blessed Trinity, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, our portion, our hope, our dwelling-place in all generations, graciously bless us. Choose us for thine own. Dwell in this house. Fill it with thy glory. Dwell in our land. Sanctify and save all the people.

Hasten, O Lord, the kingdom of Christ. Let the nations bless him and be blessed in him.

God be merciful to us, and bless us, and cause

thy face to shine upon us, that thy way may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God, let all the people praise thee. Let the earth yield her increase. O God, our own God, do thou bless us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Fourth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis 8.

O LORD, who didst remember Noah and all living things that were contained in the ark, and didst deliver them, remember us, who are pilgrims and strangers in the world. Forget not thy covenant promises which have been of old for ever. Guide us with thine eye through all the perplexities of this present life. Send thy Holy Spirit to rest upon us. May he bear the Righteous Branch to us, and show its excellences to our hearts, and enlighten our minds in the knowledge of thy Son, our Saviour Christ Jesus. May thy Spirit guide us into all the truth. Preserve us from every evil. Help us to know and to own and praise thee, as the Author of all good things; and to look for blessings only through that sacrifice, and on that altar, and by that great High Priest on whom Noah believed,

and was made righteousness before thee, and for whose sake thou wilt not curse the ground any more. We do not deserve that the earth should remain, nor seedtime and harvest, nor summer and winter, nor day and night; but yet, according to thy promise, and in thy great grace, grant us those things that we have justly forfeited: continue our mercies not for our sakes, but for thy Son's sake. Forgive us, O Lord, our past offences. Renew our hearts. Sanctify and elevate our affections. Present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy. May the lessons that thou hast given for our instruction be imprinted on our hearts, and regulate the rest of our life hereafter. May we be followers of them who, through faith and patience, have inherited the promises; and so finally find ourselves, through thy grace and by thy great mercy, in that blessed rest in which are no more tears, nor sorrow, nor sighing; but where the former things are passed away, and all things are become new. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight. Receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Leave us not, nor forsake us. Teach us all thy will. Incline our hearts to follow it. And all we beg is for our Redeemer's sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 4: 1-17.

HEAVENLY Father, lead us not into temptation. In temptation support and strengthen us, and give us the victory through Jesus Christ. Increase within us that faith which overcometh the world. Make us more than conquerors through Him that loved us. May thy holy word dwell in us richly. Hide it in our hearts, that we may not offend thee. May we ever keep beside us the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Teach us, O Lord, that man doth not live by bread alone. May we feel that we have a higher and an inner life, which lives by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Blot out our sins in the blood of Him who was slain for us. Forgive our unbelief and distrust, our pride, and vain-glory, and presumption, for Jesus' sake. Root out these and all other evil appetites and desires from our hearts by thy Holy Spirit. Cleanse the very thoughts of our hearts. Let the people that sit in darkness see a great light. Let the light spring up to them that are in the region of the shadow of death.

May we have grace from on high to follow Jesus, who has left us an example. Hear us, O Father, in these our evening petitions, and keep us in safety and in peace with thee to-night, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Fifth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis 11 : 1-9.

O LORD, we confess that our hearts are deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked. The gold is become dim, the fine gold is changed. We all fade as doth a leaf. We own that in us, that is, in our flesh, there dwelleth no good thing. We have done those things which we know we ought not to have done. We have forgotten those lessons which we feel we ought to have remembered. We are unworthy of the very least of thy mercies. We have been more anxious to please ourselves than to give thee glory. Condemn us not because of our sins. In thee do we trust, O Lord our God ; may we never be confounded. Renew us in thine image. Create in us clean hearts. May we have confidence in thy holy word. May we love thee with all our strength. May our hearts be pure, that out of the abundance of the heart the mouth may speak. May we use the speech thou hast given us to promote thy glory ; and may we be spared from those judgments which the wickedness of the world has provoked. Present us faultless before thee, through the righteousness of the Faultless One, and when heart and flesh shall faint and fail, may we be admitted into thy kingdom in glory. Accept our thanksgivings for innumerable blessings and mercies,

both spiritual and temporal. Add to these, eternal blessings which thou hast promised to us in Christ Jesus. May thy word still be a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path. May we diligently read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest it. May the examples it contains teach us; may its judgments warn us; may its promises cheer us; may its blessings be given to us richly. Thine, O Lord, be the glory; ours be the promised blessings. And all we beg is in the name and through the intercession of Him who loved us, and gave himself for us; in whose name we further pray, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 6: 1-15.

O LORD, teach us to pray. May we pray in secret and in the closet, rejoicing, inasmuch as we are taught by thee, that thou, who seest in secret, wilt answer us openly. Our Father, whose throne is in the heavens, whose footstool is the earth, we draw near to thee joyfully and confidently, as children to their parent, saying, "Abba, Father."

May we hallow thy name in all our thoughts, affections, words, and life. May we speak of it with reverence, and seek to glorify it in our going out and in our coming in. Set up thy kingdom of grace in our hearts, and finally admit us to thy kingdom of glory. May the kingdoms of this world soon become the kingdoms of thee and of thy Son. May thy will be done in us, and by us, and through us, purely, perfectly, always, even as it is done in heaven. May we know thy will, and daily learn it, and constantly obey it. Make us willing in the day of thy power. Feed us with food convenient for us. That which thou seest to be best, even if we ask it not, do thou give. That which thou seest to be inexpedient for us, even if we ask it, graciously withhold. Forgive us our debts, in the name and through the blood of Jesus. Say thou to each of us, "Be of good cheer, thy sins be forgiven thee." May we cherish towards others a forgiving spirit, forgiving them as thou, for Christ's sake, hast forgiven us. Save us from temptation, or save us in it. In thy strength, made perfect in weakness, do thou deliver us from all evil; from evil passions and devices, from the lust of the eye, the pride of life, and the love of the world; from all malice, and hatred, and envy, and all uncharitableness. Save us, O God, and deliver us by thy grace. Grant us these, and more mercies than these, for the sake of Him who died for us and rose again, Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Redeemer. Amen.

Sixth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis 13.

O LORD, we bless thee for the examples of family religion, and brotherly affection, which thou hast set before us in thy holy word. May we learn to love thee and one another, for Christ's sake. If rich in this world, may we be humble in spirit and rich in faith, heirs of the kingdom of God. If poor in this world, may we not murmur, but have godliness with contentment, which is great gain. Wherever we are able to pitch a tent, there may we erect an altar. May the fear of God be in our hearts. May the worship of God continue in our families, and may the blessing of the God of Abraham descend upon us, and keep us evermore. We pray that meekness, forbearance, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are honest and of good report, may be alike our choice and our pursuit. We pray that we may never be tempted by the prospect of wealth to forego principle, or to forget thee, or to walk in the way that is not good. May we seek the society of the holy, and the wise, and the good, even if not great in this world, in preference to the company of those who know thee not. May Christ speedily arise and take the world in the length of it and in the breadth of it; because

it is his, and ours in him, according to thy gracious promise. Lift upon us the light of thy countenance; be merciful to us, and forgive us our sins, the sins of our thoughts, our desires, our affections, our love of things that perish in preference of things that last for ever: pardon and destroy in all hearts, preference of the wealth of this world to the unsearchable riches of Christ. And help us henceforth to regulate all we do, and all we think, and wheresoever we sojourn, each under a deep sense of, Thou, God, seest me; and with an earnest desire to do thy will, to advance thy kingdom, to hallow thy name, and to hasten the triumph of that gospel which thou, in thine infinite love, hast revealed to us for our present holiness, and for our everlasting happiness. Hear these our humble petitions. Guide us by thy counsel while we live. Never leave us, never forsake us, for Christ's sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 6: 16-34.

MAY our religion, heavenly Father, be always the religion of the heart. May we prefer and seek humility of soul. May we fast in spirit; may we often retire from the world, and seek communion with thee, who seest in secret and rewardest openly. May we not set our hearts upon laying up treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal;

but grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that we may be able by thy Holy Spirit to lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. May our treasure be where Christ is; may our heart be where our treasure is; may our affections be upon things unseen; may we seek those things that are above; may we labor for the meat that endureth for everlasting life, rather than for the meat that perisheth. Be thou, O God, our Supreme King, and Governor, and Lord. To thee may we cleave; thy will may we seek; thy glory may we study. Give us a confiding trust in thy fatherly liberality and provision for us. May it not be our chief anxiety what we shall eat and drink, and what we shall put on; but may this be our most earnest inquiry, "What must we do to be saved?" May we take no painful thoughts about the things of this life; may we feel that the God that clothes the grass of the field, that to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall much more clothe his created offspring, his redeemed children. Help us, O Lord, to seek first in our hearts, in our families, in our employments, in our going out and coming in, in all we think, and meditate, and attempt, and do, thy kingdom and thy righteousness; and may we be perfectly satisfied, nothing doubting, that all things that are truly expedient for us shall be abundantly added thereto. Increase our faith in the precious promises we have read. May our hearts be

sanctified, and subdued, and dwelt in by thy Holy Spirit. In the world, may we not be of the world, and when things seen and temporal shall have passed away as the grass and the flower of the grass, may we live and reign with our Father in heaven. We beg these, and all other blessings which thou seest that we truly need, in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our Lord, our Priest, our King, our All in all. Amen.

Seventh Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis, 18 : 1-22.

O GOD, our Father, who didst appear to Abraham of old, and didst manifest thyself as a covenant-keeping and gracious God, visit us with thy favor. Show us thy mercy, and grant us thy salvation. Thou who art the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, be our God as thou wast Abraham's God. Guide us by thy counsel, lead us by thy right hand, and when thou hast answered the wise ends of thy providence in all our wanderings here upon the earth, receive us to thy presence, and admit us to share in those blessings which are laid up for thy people. May we be not forgetful to entertain stran-

gers, for thereby some have entertained angels un-awares. May we be ready to distribute, given to hospitality; and as we are blessed, may we be made blessings. Having received much, may we give much, and rejoice to know that the grace that comes from thee is increased in giving. Let the secret of the Lord be with us, and with all that fear thee. Reveal to us thy holy will. May all of this household keep the way of the Lord, and do justice and judgment; that upon our home may descend all the blessings that thou hast promised; and that those who are near and dear to us may be, with us, fellow heirs of thy kingdom, and of the covenant of promises. May we have a holy concern about thy worship. May our hearts be engaged with thee when they approach thee; may we draw near in full assurance of faith. Let the heathen fear thy name. Let all the kings of the earth see thy glory. Build up Zion. Regard the prayer of the destitute. Be a voice upon our right hand and upon our left, evermore saying to us, "This is the way, walk ye in it." Deliver us from all the snares, the wiles, and the assaults of Satan. Defend us from all error. Save us from ill-will, malice, and all uncharitableness. May pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy be cast out of our hearts. May we be patient in our trials. Let these our humble petitions come before thee as the morning incense, acceptable in thy sight, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 7: 1-23.

O LORD, who art the hearer of prayer, unto whom all flesh shall come, from whom cometh down every good and every perfect gift; we bless thee, we praise thee, that thou hast told us by thy dear Son, our only Saviour, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." We ask of thee, O Lord, the forgiveness of our sins through a Saviour's blood, and the renewal of our hearts by the influence of thy Holy Spirit; we ask pardon, holiness, and peace; we knock at the gates of grace—open unto us, O Lord. Fulfil to us, these and all the promises thou hast given us in Christ Jesus. May we ask of thee as children ask of their father, not as criminals would supplicate a judge. Give us those things that are truly expedient for us. Give us, for Christ's sake, exceeding abundantly above all that we can either ask or think. Help us, and all who are near and dear to us, to enter in at the strait gate. Deliver us from false prophets, and teachers, and preachers. Remove them from thy church, or convince, convert, and enlighten them. O Lord, save us from hypocrisy; deliver us from a merely nominal religion; may we feel the force of what our blessed Redeemer hath told us, that, "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew

you ; depart from me, ye that work iniquity." Gracious God, may we be built, as living stones, upon the Rock of ages, that Rock which is laid in Zion, to which, coming as to a living stone, we may be built up, a spiritual temple. O Lord, graciously save those who are building upon the sand, or upon human foundations ; lead them to the Rock that is higher than they ; may increasing thousands find it as a shadow from the heat, a shelter from the storm, a refuge in the tempest. Keep us safely during this night. May we be refreshed and invigorated by sleep, and awake in the morning to life and usefulness, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Eighth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis 18: 23-33.

O LORD, who didst create in the heart of Abraham a sympathy with all the rest of the human family, create in our hearts, we earnestly beseech thee, pity for all that be in error, and are dwelling in the shadow of death. Thou delightest not in the death of the sinner ; may we delight not in it. May we labor to enlighten him ; may we pray continually as we now do for his deliverance. Spare, O

Lord, spare, we beseech thee, our city, our nation, our country, for the sake of Christ; and hear the prayers of the righteous presented in the midst of it on its behalf. We pray for ourselves, that thou wouldest be pleased to pardon our sins, for they are many; to justify us freely for the sake of Him in whom thou art just whilst thou justifiest them that believe. Regenerate our hearts by thy Holy Spirit. Bestow upon us the spirit of adoption. Make us like our blessed Lord. Give us to have the same mind that was also in him, and in all things in the world, to be living epistles seen and read of all men, and to let our light so shine before us that others, seeing our good works, may glorify thee, our Father who art in heaven. We pray for those who are nearest and dearest to us. All ours, do thou make thine. Them we love, do thou graciously save. Them who have gone astray from thee and wandered far into a strange land, graciously reclaim and fetch home to thy fold and number with thine own, and make them, with us; heirs of thy kingdom in glory. May we feel a deep compassion for sinners. May we lose no opportunity of trying to do them everlasting good. May we feel persuaded that the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much; and that, presented in Christ, for all that are far from thee, there will be vouchsafed an answer exceeding abundantly above all we can think or desire. May it please thee to have mercy upon all men. Hear us in these our morning supplications, for we

ask and offer all, in the name, and for the sake, of Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 8 : 1-22.

BLESSED Lord, who didst heal the leper, and didst lead him to worship thee, heal us, we beseech thee ; for we are by nature poor, and miserable, and blind, and naked, and perishing. Touch our hearts, blessed Jesus, with thy hand. Say to each of us, "I will ; be thou clean." Thou art able ; thou art willing ; thou delightest in mercy. Help us, the monuments of thy sparing mercy, the objects of thy healing goodness, to render unto thee, now and ever, praise, and thanksgiving, and honor Glorious Saviour, who didst speak the word, and the centurion's servant was healed, we are not worthy that thou shouldest come under our roof ; we are not worthy to approach thee on the throne of thy glory, and to ask thee to heal us, or our children, or any that are near and dear to us. Yet, because thou hast commanded us, we come unto thee, and we beseech thee to say to each of us, "Be it done unto thee as thou hast believed." Blessed Lord, our heavenly Father, who didst so love the world that thou gavest thine only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him might not perish, but have eternal life, we praise thee for this inestimable gift. We bless thee for his cross and passion ; for his life and

death; for his resurrection and ascension; we bless thee that he reigneth in the heavens to give from his throne what he purchased by his blood; and that by him we have access to thee, and that thou art willing to save to the uttermost all that come unto thee through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for us. Holy Spirit, Comforter of all thy people, Sanctifier of all thy saints, take of the things of Christ and show them unto us. Reveal to us his love, his sympathy, his power, his faithfulness, and give us great faith in him, and perfect confidence in his word. Be gracious to us this night, and keep us as under the shadow of thy wings, oh Thou who never sleepest, for Christ's sake. Amen.



Ninth Day.



MORNING PRAYER.

Genesis 22: 1-19.

O LORD, we bless and praise thee, for thou never leadest into temptation without sustaining in the midst of it, or opening to thy people a door of escape. We thank thee for the instances of victorious faith recorded in thy holy word. We pray that there may be implanted and increased within us that true and lively faith which worketh by love, which

purifieth the heart, which overcometh the world, so that we may be found to the praise, and honor, and glory of thy holy name. Give us, O Lord, confidence in the goodness and love of thy holy will and word. Enable us to do cheerfully what thou requirest, and to be abundantly satisfied that as our day, so our strength shall be. May we feel no burden too heavy, no yoke too difficult, if thou be with us. May we fear not to enter the road which thou pointest out. If thy presence go not with us, O Lord, carry us not up hence. Grant that we may have confidence in thy promises, and be satisfied that they are all yea and amen in Christ Jesus. May we never forget that what thou commandest is alike for our good, and for thy glory. May it ever be our great anxiety to find out what thy will is, and, having found it, not to hesitate with our whole heart to follow it and do it. May we always have grace to say, "Not as we will, but as thou wilt." Perfect thy strength in our weakness, O Lord. Pardon the imperfection of our trust in thy promises. Forgive us through the atoning and meritorious death of Him who bare our sins in his own body on the tree, by whose stripes we are healed; and renew and sanctify our hearts by thy Holy Spirit working within us alike to will and to do of thy good pleasure. We thank thee, the Everlasting Father, that thou didst give thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him might not perish, but have eternal life. We bless thee that thou didst commend thy love to

us, in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. May we feel true thankfulness to thee. May we act and live accordingly. Be with us in all our trials. Prosper us in all our labors; and finally bring us to thine everlasting kingdom, through Him that died for us, to whom be praise, and glory, and honor. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 9: 1-13, 35-38.

BLESSED Lord, who didst heal the sick whilst thou wast a sojourner here upon earth, who art the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, ever able, ever willing to have mercy, and to forgive, and bless; look upon us from the throne of thy glory. Plead for us, thou great and ever-living Intercessor. Reveal to us by thy Spirit the riches of thy grace. Disclose to us our sins, our necessities, our weakness. Breathe into our hearts this divine absolution, which thou alone canst give, and which none can take away, "Son, daughter, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee." Thou openest, blessed Lord, and no man shutteth. Thou hast the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Open to us the kingdom of glory; receive us in the fulness of the time to thy right hand. Justify us, pardon us, bless us, we heartily and humbly beseech thee. Forgiven much, may we love much. Justified from all things, may we rise and follow thee in thy sorrows, and in thy joys, in thy

walk and in thy mind ; and, following thee on earth, may we finally live and reign with thee in glory. Blessed Father, teach us, thy children, that thy kingdom is not meat nor drink, but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. Extend thy blessed gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth ; may thousands go forth to the cities and villages teaching and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and may Jesus be with every faithful ambassador, healing spiritual sicknesses. O Lord, be thou moved with compassion on us. Great Shepherd of the sheep, collect us ; for without thee we are as sheep having no shepherd. Multiply faithful laborers. Reveal to us more than it has been revealed, how plenteous is the harvest, how few are the laborers. O Lord, we pray to thee, thou Lord of the harvest, that thou wouldest be pleased in these the latter times to send forth laborers into the harvest, to gather home thine own, to prepare a people for the coming of the Lord. Bring home all such as have erred and strayed. Hasten the day when there shall be one fold, and one Shepherd, and all thy people shall be taught of thee, and great shall be the peace of thy people. Strengthen them that do stand ; comfort the weak-hearted. May we hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life. Renew our strength daily. Show us thy mercy, O God, and grant us thy salvation, for the sake of Him who is our only Advocate with thee the Father ; and unto Him that is able to keep us from falling, and to present us

faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory, and majesty, and blessing, and power, for ever and ever. Amen.

Tenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Exodus 3: 1-15.

O LORD, who didst appear in the burning bush, and didst proclaim thyself to thy servant of old, as the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, we thank thee that thou hast manifested thyself in Christ as our God and his God, our Father and his Father. In his name, O Lord, we draw near to thee, with humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient hearts. We ask of thee to give us a deep sense of thy majesty, and of thy goodness, and of thy loving-kindness; and while the angels veil their faces before thee, may we yet draw near to thee, not as slaves to a master, but as children to a father; not so much to deprecate thy wrath, as to ask thy fatherly blessing upon our going out and our coming in, upon all the labor of our hands, and upon all we do and undertake. O Lord God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, whose name is for ever, and whose memorial is to all generations, thou who art the great I AM, whom no man hath seen or can see, who

dwellest in light inaccessible and full of glory, manifest thyself unto us in Christ Jesus, as thou dost not unto the world. We praise thee that he that hath seen Christ hath seen thee the Father. Pour thy Spirit into our hearts, O Lord ; create within us clean hearts ; remove from our minds the prejudices that darken them ; take away from our hearts the passions that oppress them. In thy light may we see light : in thy love may we read thy holy will, and interpret thy daily providence. Give us favor in the sight of the world. Not for our credit, but for thy glory, let our light so shine before us, that others, seeing our good works, may glorify thee, our Father in heaven. Prosper thy visible church ; purify it more and more ; may a live coal from the altar be applied to every heart within it ; persecuted, may it be only purified ; cast into the flame, may it not be consumed. Be thou in the midst of thy church, and then, though the mountains be removed and carried into the midst of the sea, we will not be afraid. Let the river that comes from the throne refresh by its streams the tabernacles of the city of God. Look upon thy ransomed ones ; seal them as thine own ; give comfort and courage to their hearts ; make them faithful ; say to them, " Fear not." Stretch out thy mighty hand, and do great wonders in the midst of us. May the time come speedily when nations shall be born in a day ; let the whole earth soon be filled with thy glory. All we ask is through Jesus Christ. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 12 : 38-50.

O LORD, give us a deep sense of the value of the means of grace, and the opportunities of salvation which we enjoy. While the queen of the south came from afar to hear the wisdom of Solomon, may we open our ears, and do thou open our hearts, to hear that greater than Solomon, who stands at the door and knocks for admission. May we hear his word gladly; may we lay it up in our hearts as our most precious treasure. By thy grace, may we unfold it in our walk and intercourse with the world. May his peace as the Prince of Peace keep our hearts and minds continually. May thy Holy Spirit, according to thy promise, descend on our hearts, and drive out of these hearts every evil appetite, affection, and desire, and make us temples for his residence, and our affections the servants of his will, and consecrate the whole man to the service and the glory of Him who redeemed us with his blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto our God, and to his Christ for ever. Blessed Lord, grant that we may feel that the nearest relatives of Jesus are those that believe most truly in his name, are united to him by living faith, do his will, and seek to spread the knowledge of it among mankind. May we feel that our relationship to him is not by nature, but by grace. May we love him above all. Forbid that we should give the glory that belongs

to him to any besides him. Increase our faith, O Lord, in Christ thy Son. In him may we see thee; through him do thou regard us. May our sins be laid upon him as our sacrifice. May his righteousness be imputed to us as our only title. Abide with us this night. O Lord, grant us thy Holy Spirit; inspire our hearts with thy grace. Lord, we believe; help thou our unbelief. And to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be praises now and evermore. Amen.

Eleventh Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Exodus 4: 1-18.

O LORD, we approach thy footstool in the name of the great and only Mediator. We praise thee as the Lord God of our fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob. We bless thee for thy wonders wrought in the midst of the earth. We bless thee for the lessons contained in thy holy word. We thank thee that thou hast raised up so many witnesses to thy name. O thou, who hast made man's mouth, who makest the dumb to speak, the deaf to hear, and the blind to see, who art the Lord, be with the mouth of all thy ministering servants throughout the whole world. Teach them what they shall say, and how they shall best win

sinner to thee; give them boldness, faithfulness, affection to souls; may they speak with a deep sense of responsibility to thee; may they be prospered with thy constant blessing; and, like Moses thy servant of old, though not eloquent, but slow of speech, and of a slow tongue, may thy gospel, nevertheless, faithfully preached by them, be followed with abundant tokens of thy presence, till men shall see that our faith standeth not in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. May the princes of this world learn the deep things of God; may the wise in this world learn the wisdom that is from above. O Lord, nourish us with all goodness. Thou, who art great in power, and greatly to be praised, graft in our hearts the love of thy name. Increase in us true religion; manifest to us thy glorious mercy in pardoning our sins, in changing our hearts, in purifying our affections, in strengthening us in trials, in supporting us in difficulties, in making us faithful when few are so, and in enabling us to vanquish all our spiritual enemies. Keep us this day in thy fear. Keep our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, our souls from death, and after this life save us all in thy heavenly kingdom, for Christ's sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Matthew 16: 13-20, 24-28.

LORD Jesus, thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God; may thy Holy Spirit teach our

hearts so to feel ; may we have grace never to be ashamed of it, but evermore to confess and glory in this blessed truth ; may it be revealed to us, and to all in whom we feel an interest, not by flesh and blood, but by thyself, thou Prince of Peace, thou Saviour of sinners. We thank and praise thee, blessed Redeemer, that the living stones, with which thou buildest thy living church, are laid upon thee, the Rock of Ages, and that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. May we be found living stones, and be built up, a spiritual temple, and so show forth the praises of thee, who hast called us from darkness into thy marvellous light. O thou, who openest and no man shutteth, open to us the kingdom of heaven. O thou, who loosest from sin, and absolvest them that appeal to thee, absolve us from all our sins ; breathe into each of our hearts, "Thy sins be forgiven thee." Almighty and everlasting Father, grant that we may feel in all its force this solemn truth, "What is a man profited if he gain the whole world, and lose his own soul ? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul ?" May each of us, therefore, anxiously ask, "What must I do to be saved ?" On each of our hearts may there be impressed this blessed answer, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." Living or dying, may we be able to say, "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace ; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people, to

be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel." Amen.

Twelfth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Exodus 6: 1-13.

○ THOU, who didst appear unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, thou who alone art Jehovah, we lift up our hearts to thee, and adore and worship thee as the first and the last, the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, the Great God. O Lord, we praise and bless thee that thou didst establish thy covenant with thy people to give them the land wherein they were strangers. We bless and praise thee for that better covenant which thou hast established with us in Christ. We thank thee for the fulfilment of thine ancient and gracious promise to write thy laws upon our hearts, and to be to us a God, and to make us to thyself a people. Fulfil thy promise, that they shall not teach every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord; but let all know thee from the least to the greatest. Lord God of hosts, with a stretched out arm, and with great judgment, take us to thyself; make us thy people; be thou to us a God; may we know thee as the Lord our God, and rejoice, and be

exalted in thy name all the day long. Bring us into the land of promise, the rest that remaineth unto the people of God. Guide us, we beseech thee, in all our wanderings. Pardon, we entreat thee, our sins and our transgressions, through the glorious sacrifice of thy Son on the cross. We plead his precious blood, his finished righteousness, thine unfailing love, thine ancient covenant, thy glorious promises. Forgive us, for his sake, the sins of our youth; remember not against us the iniquities of our riper years. Who can understand his errors? Cleanse thou us from secret faults; keep back thy servants from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over us; make us upright and innocent from the great transgression; let the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Mark 9: 1-13.

BLESSED Lord, make all thy glory to pass before us, we beseech thee. Place us in the Rock of Ages, that in and through Christ we may behold thee. Manifest thyself unto us, as thou dost not unto the world. Displace in our hearts the light of things seen, and kindle within us a stronger light of things that are unseen and eternal. May we feel it is good to be where Christ is. May we never be afraid of thee. May we have full confidence in thy

love, hope in thy promises ; and finally may we see thee as thou art, and love thee as we ought, when time and things temporal shall be no more. Blessed Lord, convince the ignorant ; enlighten the unbelieving. May we hear thy voice in our hearts respecting thy Son, " This is my beloved Son : hear ye him." May we hear him as our Prophet, our Priest, and our King. May we seek after his will, and copy his example, and by the Holy Spirit be conformed to his image and likeness more and more. Strengthen our faith, we beseech thee. May we believe that all things are possible with thee. May we rejoice to look to thee for all we need, and never doubt that thou wilt give us exceeding abundantly above all that we can either ask or think. We commit ourselves to thee, O Lord, this night. May we dwell in the secret place of the Most High, and lie down under the shadow of the Almighty. Make a hedge of protection about us and our house. Be thou our keeper. Refresh our bodies with quiet rest. Let the light of thy countenance shine upon us. When we awake may we be still with thee. Prepare us for the duties of each day as it dawns. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. Make thy grace to be sufficient for us. Look with pity upon a sinful and a ruined world. Set up Christ's throne where Satan's seat is. Spread the gospel where it is not known. Let thy true church flourish. Look upon the sorrowful and the afflicted, and heal them. And hear these our humble petitions, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thirteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Exodus 12: 1-15.

HEAVENLY Father, we praise and bless thee, that thou didst so love the world that thou gavest thine only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We praise and thank thee for that Passover Lamb, for that precious blood, which, sprinkled on the threshold of our hearts, is our defence against all evil. O Lord, increase our faith in thy word; seeing that blood shed for us, may we not be afraid. May our sins be completely forgiven, and no more remembered against us, through Him who was slain for us, by whose stripes we may be healed, in whose blood we have redemption, even the forgiveness of sins. May we be redeemed through him from the curse of the law, seeing he was made a curse for us. May we be sanctified and perfected by that one offering which he made for all that believe. May the chastisement of our peace be upon him; may our transgressions be forgiven through him, whom it pleased thee to bruise and put to grief. Lord, send down, for the sake of the Lamb that was slain, thy Holy and Blessed Spirit on each of our hearts, that with all power and might he may work within us both to will and to do of thy good pleasure. As

the Spirit of truth, may he glorify the Son in us. May he show unto us things to come ; may he make the Saviour more precious to us ; may he open our eyes to understand the Scriptures. Increase and strengthen our faith, and keep us in thy fear and favor all this day.

Accept our thanks for thy care over us during the past night, and for all the good things which surround us this morning.

We ask and offer all in the name of the Great Redeemer, to whom, with thyself and the Holy Spirit, be all the praise for ever. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Mark 9 : 30-50.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, we acknowledge the sinfulness of our nature, and that we are guilty in thy sight. In thought, in word, and in deed we have broken thy holy law, and have been unmindful of the God that made us, and lightly esteemed the Rock of our salvation. We have sinned against heaven and before thee ; in many things we have offended. We have reason to be humbled for the pride of our hearts. We have leaned to our own understandings. We have sought our own glory more than the glory of him that made us and redeemed us. We deserve thy judgments. We are unworthy of the least of thy mercies. Forgive us, O Lord, we beseech thee, through the precious

blood of thy dear Son. Give us grace truly to repent of all our sins, to abjure what is evil, to cleave to what is good, and to walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love. Keep us, O Lord, this evening, we humbly beseech thee. Be at our right hand, and we shall never be moved. Uphold us continually by thy mighty power; prosper us with thy gracious blessing; take us under thy protection this night. We would close the day with thee. Forgive whatever thou seest wrong in our hearts; correct whatever thou seest to be crooked within us; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts; raise our affections to Thee. Bless all who are near and dear to us, the ministers of thy word, and all who seek to diffuse thy glorious gospel. Hear these our humble petitions. Help us to crucify the flesh with its affections and lusts. Grant us thy Holy Spirit. Deliver us from spiritual death, from everlasting misery, from the worm that dieth not, and the fire that is not quenched. Whatsoever stands in the way of serving thee may we part with; whatever offends our consciences may we at once renounce; whatever will honor thee, may we delight to do. Keep to that day what we have committed unto thy care, and receive us into that kingdom where there is fulness of joy. All we beg is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Fourteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Exodus 15: 1-18.

O LORD, who hast triumphed gloriously, we will sing praises unto thee. We bless thee for creative goodness; for providential and daily mercies; for redeeming love in Christ Jesus. O Lord, unto thee be praise, and thanksgiving, and glory, and honor, for thou art worthy of it. Be thou our strength and our song; be thou our salvation. We will exalt thee, O Lord, for thou wast our father's God; we will trust in thee, for thou hast promised to be our God. Let thy right hand be glorious in power. Save us from our enemies, we beseech thee. Make us more than conquerors through him that loved us. May the power of our sins be broken within us; may the condemnation of sin be taken away in the blood of thy dear Son. Thou only art glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders. Redeem us in thy mercy; guide us in thy strength into thy holy habitation; plant us, and all near and dear to us, in the mountain of thine inheritance, in the place which thou hast made for thyself to dwell in, in the sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have prepared. Reign in our hearts, blessed Lord; make our affections thy servants; help us to dedicate soul, body, and spirit

living sacrifices to thee, which is our reasonable service; and when time shall be finished, and we shall stand at the commencement of a new heaven and a new earth, may we join with the innumerable multitude to sing the song of Moses and of the Lamb, and praise thee day and night without ceasing. Bless us, and keep us, and direct us; be in all our thoughts; be the object of our dearest and deepest affections; help us in our difficulties, strengthen us in trials; make thy grace sufficient for us; prosper us with thy blessing; make our bread and our water sure; on our basket and on our store, on our going out and our coming in, our rising up and our lying down, let thy blessing, O Lord, rest continually, for the sake of Him in whom all the families of the earth shall be blessed; and to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, we ascribe everlasting praises. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Mark 10: 13-22.

GIVE us the confiding love and unsuspecting confidence of little children toward thee, our Father, in heaven. Bring near to thy Son, our Saviour, those children who are wandering without a teacher, without God, and without hope in the world. Multiply the number of faithful and devoted Christian teachers. Prosper every effort made to reclaim and benefit the rising generation. [Bless

every child connected with us. Exalted Redeemer, take them in thine arms ; lay thy hands upon them, and bless them.] Reveal to us the purity and majesty of thy holy law. May we feel its demands penetrating our very hearts. May we be humbled by the deep conviction that we have often grievously broken thy law. May we feel that by deeds of law we never can be justified. May we, therefore, flee from the law to Him who has fulfilled the law for us, and borne its curse in our stead, and by whom we are justified from all things from which we could not be justified by the law of Moses. We thank thee for this blessed Saviour. We thank thee for the lessons he has taught us. Forbid that we should trust in uncertain riches. Enrich us, we beseech thee, with the unsearchable riches of the Lord Jesus Christ. Put thy Spirit in our hearts. Let the peace that passeth understanding keep us and ours continually. May the rich be rich in good works ; and may the poor be pure in heart, and poor in spirit ; and may the earth be blessed, and yield her increase. Hear us, O Lord, through the intercession of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us. Amen.

Fifteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Exodus 20: 1-20.

○ THOU, who art the Lord our God, who broughtest our fathers out of the land of Egypt and out of the house of bondage, and hast redeemed us from our vain conversation, not with gold or silver, or any such corruptible thing, but with the precious blood of a Lamb without spot and without blemish, we lift our souls to thee, and acknowledge our sins and our transgressions, and beseech thee, for the sake of Him in whom thou art always well pleased, to forgive us. We have erred and strayed from thee, and failed to glorify thee only as the Lord our God; we have not worshipped thee always in spirit and in truth, as we ought to have done; we have not hallowed thy name as we ought; we have not always kept holy thy sabbaths, but have often spoken our own words, and walked in our own ways, and thought our own thoughts, and have not loved thy courts as we should have done; we have not loved our neighbor as we ought, nor ministered to the necessities of the poor, nor sympathized with the suffering, as we ought; unholy thoughts have dwelt within us; we have not been content with such things as we have; we have not always done justly, and loved mercy, and walked humbly with thee; we

have come short of the glory of God, and have sinned in thy sight. O God, for Christ's sake, pronounce unto our hearts this Divine absolution, "Thy sins be forgiven thee." Save us by Christ, who has magnified the law in our stead, and borne its curse for our sakes. Accept of us, who have broken thy holy law, in his name, and for his righteousness' sake. O Lord, write thy law in our hearts; give us thy grace to fulfil it, and diligently to live after thy commandments. We beg every blessing for this life, and that which is to come, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Mark 14 : 22-45.

O LORD, we lift our hearts to thee, and praise thee for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We thank thee for a communion table stately spread in the midst of thy church. May we take that bread in our hands in token that God was manifest in the flesh for us; and may we feed upon him by faith, as the bread of life that cometh down from heaven. Lord, evermore give us this bread. And when we take that cup, and give thee thanks for thy great benefits, as sure as we drink of it, may our sins be put away, through the shed blood of Him who loved us and gave himself for us, in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgive-

ness of sins. O Lord, increase our faith, we earnestly beseech thee. We thank thee for the institution of this sacrament. Clothe each of us in a wedding garment. Fix our hearts whenever we approach thee in this communion; draw out our desires toward thee; may we hunger and thirst for thy righteousness, and thus be filled. May we never deny thee. O Lord, strengthen us with thy strength. We have confidence only in thee, in thy power, and in thy promises; keep us from falling. Abba, Father, when we suffer, may we regard the suffering as sent from thee, and ever feel, "Not as we will, but as thou wilt." O Lord, strengthen our faith; make thy grace to be sufficient for us; help us evermore to watch and pray. Keep us under the shadow of thy wings; defend us from every peril; prosper us with every needed blessing; let thy peace rule our hearts. We commit ourselves to thy care and keeping; compass us with thy favor as with a shield; let no evil come near us; let thy blessing be upon us. Blessed be the Lord God, who daily loads us with his benefits, even the Lord God of our salvation; for he that is our God is the God of our salvation. May we rest in peace and security this night, and be awakened in health and strength to-morrow to do thy will, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Sixteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 30 : 1-14.

LORD God of hosts, the Holy One of Israel hear us, we beseech thee; cause thy face to shine upon us, and be merciful to us, and bless us. May our sins be forgiven, through the precious blood of sprinkling which cleanseth from all sin. May our minds be more enlightened, and our hearts more subdued, and our strength increased, and a richer blessing descend upon our basket and upon our store in the days that are to come. O Lord, we humbly and heartily beseech thee to be our strength and our confidence in all time of trouble. May we never be ashamed of thee, and be not thou, O Lord, ashamed of us. Make us thy children, and forgive us our sins in that love which thou bearest unto thine own. Bless all thy ministering servants throughout the world; may they not prophesy unto the people smooth things, or prophesy deceits, or turn aside out of the path, or cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us; but may they speak faithfully in all lands, both as missionaries to the Jew and to the Gentile, and make known the whole counsel of God, that the people may have pardon, and quietness, and peace, and confidence, for ever. O Lord, raise up increasing

numbers of those that love thee. Add a fresh impulse to thy holy cause throughout the world. Deliver every section of the church from deadly error. Let thy word have free course, and be glorified. Write thy laws upon our hearts; help us to walk before thee, and to be perfect. Fit us for all the duties that lie before us in the world; make us thankful for our mercies, and diligent in the use of our privileges. May our loins be girt, and our lamps burning, and we ourselves ready for every good work. May we be prepared to walk as pilgrims and strangers in the way set before us. Hear us, we entreat thee: for we ask all in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, to whom be praise and glory now and evermore. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Mark 16.

O LORD, we praise and bless thee that when Christ had overcome the sharpness of death, he did open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. We thank thee, that Jesus opened the grave, and that he has taken its sting from death, and given us the earnest and the promise that this corruptible shall put on incorruption, and this mortal shall be swallowed up in immortality. May we rise with him to newness of life. Quicken us, O God, who once were dead in trespasses and in sins. May we rise with Christ, and henceforth set our affections,

not upon things that are seen and temporal, but upon things that are unseen and eternal. May we be dead with Christ, and our life hid with him in God. When Christ who is our life shall appear, may we appear with him in glory, and may our hearts and our treasure be where Christ is; may we be rooted and built up on him, and established in the faith, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Strengthen our faith in his death. May we share in the first resurrection from the dead, and so be blessed and holy; may we be presented a glorious church, without spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; may we be complete in him, and feel that we are so. As branches may we be grafted to the living Vine; as members may we be united to the living Body. With our lips and lives may we make known to all within our reach the unsearchable riches of Christ. May every creature soon know the tidings of salvation; may creation soon be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the sons of God; may the wilderness rejoice, and the solitary place soon blossom as the rose; may that kingdom dawn speedily, which is not meat nor drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. Lord, we believe, help our unbelief. Strengthen our faith in the only atonement; may we be baptized by thy Holy Spirit; may our hearts be made pure within us; may we not be professors only, but lively members of the body of Christ. May we live accord-

ingly under a deep sense of real, living religion; may we grow in grace; may the world speedily be lightened by thy glory, and all flesh made happy in the enjoyment of thy forgiveness. This we beg or the Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

Seventeenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.


Isaiah 31: 1-6.

BLESSED Lord, to whom can we go but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Enter not into judgment with us, we beseech thee, O Lord; for in thy sight no man living can be justified. Spare thy people, O Lord, redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from all that thou hatest, and strengthen us for every duty that lies before us. As our day is, let our strength be. God forbid that we should go down to Egypt for help, or stay on horses, or trust in chariots, because they are many; or in horsemen, because they are very strong. May we remember that the battle is not always to the strong, nor the race to the swift. May we feel that our progress in this life, and our fitness for the life to come, is, not by might, nor by power, but by thy Holy Spirit. May we therefore

look unto thee, and lean upon thee, and pray to thee, O thou Holy One of Israel, for in thee only is everlasting strength. O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to give us that confidence in thy love, that trust in thy promises, that we shall not be afraid of anything that man can do unto us. Do thou fight for us, O Lord. Do thou uphold us by thy right hand. Deliver us in all time of our peril, and be thou for battlements around our Zion, and the glory in the midst of her. Keep us this day, O Lord, without sin; defend us from all that is evil; let thy blessing rest upon us in our going out and in our coming in; and when heart and flesh faint and fail, be thou the strength of our heart. Guide us by thy counsel; hold us by thy right hand; prosper us with thy blessing. Keep our eyes from tears, our feet from falling, our souls from death. Supply all our wants; satisfy our souls with good things. Save us, O thou who art the confidence of all them that are afar off upon the sea. Forsake us not, nor leave us, O God of our salvation. To old age be thou our support. Let the voice of our supplications come before thee as the morning incense, for Christ's sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Luke 1: 46-56.

 LORD, we lift up our hearts to thee, and we praise and magnify thee the Lord. May ours be the blessing of them that believe. Our souls

do magnify the Lord, our spirits would rejoice in God our Saviour. He that is mighty hath done us great things, and holy is his name. Let thy mercy be upon us, and upon them that fear thee from generation to generation. Show strength with thine arm, and subdue our iniquities; scatter the proud in the imagination of their hearts; bring down the mighty from their seats that are opposed to thee, and exalt them of low degree that truly love thee. O Lord, fill the hungry with good things; the rich, and those that think themselves righteous, only do thou send empty away, or convert. Keep us, and thy people Israel; remember thy mercies which have been of old for ever, and thy covenant with Abraham and his seed for ever. Graciously write the truths of thy word upon our hearts; redeem and visit thy people. May we rejoice in the horn of salvation raised up for us in the house of David. Save us from our enemies, and from sin the greatest enemy, and from the hand of all that hate us. Perform thy mercy to us as promised to our fathers. O Lord, we beseech thee, may we serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. Give us the knowledge of salvation; wash us in the blood of Christ our Saviour, for the remission of sins. Let the Day-spring from on high visit every land; give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. Guide our feet in the way of peace. And these and all other blessings we earnestly implore, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Eighteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 32 Ch.

O LORD, we approach thee as our refuge and our strength, and our present help in every time of trouble. Let the Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, be our hiding-place from the winds, our covert from the tempest. May the Holy Spirit, vouchsafed to us according to the promise, be in us, even as a river of water in a dry place; and may his consolation be as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. O Lord, help us, we beseech thee, to trust in Him with our whole heart, whom thou hast set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood for our sins. Pour down thy Holy Spirit upon all flesh, we beseech thee. Hasten that time in thine own way, when the vile person shall no longer be called liberal, nor the churl shall be said to be bountiful. Let the liberal devise liberal things, and stand by liberal things. O Lord, grant that thy kingdom, which is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, may be erected in every heart throughout the whole earth. Gracious God, pour down thy Holy Spirit from on high, and let the wilderness become a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest. O Lord, in this land, and throughout all the world, may judgment soon

dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful field. Heavenly Father, let the work of righteousness in each of our hearts, and throughout thy whole church, be peace ; and let the effect of righteousness be experienced by us as quietness and assurance for ever. Lord, let thy people dwell in peaceable habitations, in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting-places. Give us the honor of helping on the triumphs of thy truth, and grant to our hearts the blessedness of them who sow beside all waters. Hear us, we beseech thee, in heaven thy dwelling-place, and help us ; for all we ask is in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Prince and our Redeemer. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Luke 4 : 1-23.

O LORD, we bless and praise thee that we have not a High Priest who cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but who was in all points tempted like as we are, and yet without sin. Help us to use thy holy word as the storehouse of promise, of direction, of hope, and of victory. Give us that faith which is the victory that overcometh the world. We feel that we cannot live by bread alone, that there is in our hearts that which no earthly good can fill ; to thee, O Lord, we look ; may thy word dwell in our hearts richly ; and may we be fed with that living bread which cometh down

from heaven, of which if a man eat he shall hunger no more. May we look down upon the world, its kingdoms, and its glory, with holy indifference. May no wealth or honor tempt us to forget, forsake, or deny thee. May we worship thee the Lord our God alone, and none else ; with our whole heart may we love thee ; with our whole strength may we serve thee ; in life and in death may we glorify thee. We bless thee for a Saviour, Christ the Lord. We thank thee that the glorious gospel has been preached to the poor, that the broken-hearted may be healed, that the captives may be delivered, and the recovering of sight be vouchsafed to the blind. Lord, grant us, poor and needy, the unsearchable riches of Christ. Gracious Father, heal every sorrow ; deliver the slaves of sin and of Satan ; open the eyes of our understandings ; may we be made free with that liberty with which Christ alone can make his people free. We praise thee that our ears have heard, and that our eyes have seen, thy great salvation. For the glad tidings of the kingdom increasingly proclaimed we praise and bless thee. Spread abroad the joyful sound from sea to sea, and from the rivers to the end of the earth. Hasten that blessed day when the whole earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord, and all flesh shall see thy great salvation. Keep us ever in thy fear ; leave us not, nor forsake us, thou God of our salvation : and all that we ask for ourselves, for all near and dear to us, and for all for whom we ought to pray, is in the name and through

the mediation of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Nineteenth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 33: 1-17.

O LORD, be gracious to us, we beseech thee. This morning we wait upon thee; be thou our arm every morning, and our salvation in the time of trouble. O Lord, be thou exalted in every heart, and over all the earth, and fill thy church with judgment and with righteousness. We humbly beseech thee to grant by thy Holy Spirit that wisdom and knowledge may be the stability of our times, and strength of salvation; and the fear of the Lord, our treasure. Lord, look down upon the earth which is still in darkness, and in the shadow of death. Do thou visit those parts of the earth that mourn and languish. Arise, O God, and have mercy upon Zion; let the set time to favor thy people draw near. Do thou impress upon the hearts of sinners that they cannot dwell with the devouring fire. Do thou enable thy people, washed in a Saviour's blood, and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, to walk righteously, and speak uprightly, to despise the gain of oppression, and shake the hands from

holding bribes. O God, may we, thus living, dwell on high ; may our place of defence be the munitions of rocks. Give us our bread ; may our water be sure. Above all, may we, and all in this house, and all connected with us, see Christ, the King, in his beauty, whom having not seen, may we love ; and in whom, though now we see him not, yet believing, may we rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory. Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities. O glorious Lord, be unto us a place of broad rivers ; be thou our Judge, our Lord, and Lawgiver. Be thou our King. Do thou save us, and hasten that time when the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick, and the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven all their iniquities. We ask all for Christ's sake. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, and with all ours, this day and evermore. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Luke 6 : 27-49.

HEAVENLY Father, we bless thee for the precious truths and precepts contained in thy holy word ; we thank thee that holy men of old spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost ; we bless thee above all for the word of Him who spake as never man spake, lived as never man lived, and died as never man died. May his death be our life ;

because of his enduring the curse, may we be entitled to a kingdom of glory; and for his sake, this day, and at the judgment day, may we find perfect acceptance before thee. May we show his spirit in our temper, and his character in our life. Give us grace to love our enemies, to do good to them that hate us, to bless them that curse us, and to pray for them that spitefully use us. Give us grace to do good to our enemies, and to all men as we have opportunity. May we be merciful in all the relationships and intercourse of life, as our Father in heaven is merciful; may we give liberally, having ourselves received all; may we be filled with that charity which believeth all things, beareth all things, hopeth all things, rejoiceth in the truth. Make us living, good, and fruitful trees. May we have hearts inspired by thy grace; and out of the abundance of holy and happy hearts may the mouth speak. May our hopes be based upon the Rock of Ages, and so endure for ever. Blessed Lord, keep us this night; defend us from all its dangers; in every difficulty of our life be a voice upon our right and upon our left, saying, "This is the way; walk ye in it;" and at length may we in thine abundant mercy be admitted to thy presence, through Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Amen.

Twentieth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 34: 1-13.

O LORD, we come to thee as children to a father, and we ask of thee this day to hear us, have mercy upon us, and bless us. Grant, we beseech thee, that we who have justly provoked thy righteous judgments, may, through the mediation and intercession of our Saviour, be spared that suffering which we have deserved, and be entitled to that happiness, joy, and felicity which thou hast promised unto them that love thee. O Lord, we humbly beseech thee to give us thy Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts, to deliver us from all that is evil, to strengthen us for all that is good, and to fit us finally for thy kingdom and glory. O Lord, may we love thy law. May we study thy word diligently, and do thou open our hearts to receive the truth in the love of it. May this word have free course and be glorified in our hearts, homes, and country, and all places of the earth. When the time comes that the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll, and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree, may we be among the manifested sons of God, in whom thou takest pleasure, and who shall be presented to thy-

self a glorious church, without spot, or blemish, or any such thing. May the day of the Lord's vengeance be the day of our deliverance. May we hear our blessed Lord address to us at that day, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Number us with thy saints, O Lord, in glory everlasting. In thee have we trusted; O Lord, may we never be confounded. Heavenly Father, look down, we beseech thee, in mercy upon all who are far from thee, and living without thee, and careless of the things that belong to their eternal peace. Visit them in sparing mercy; save them by thy right hand. Hear these our humble supplications, and forgive us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Luke 7: 1-23.

O LORD, we lift our hearts to thee, and we beseech thee to hear us and to have mercy upon us. Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord, for in thee do we trust. We are not indeed worthy that thou shouldest come under this roof; nevertheless, because thou hast promised, we ask thee to dwell in each heart, and to manifest thy presence in this house as thou dost not unto the world. What we know not, graciously teach us; wherein we are un-sanctified, graciously save and sanctify us. Lord of

all power and might, scatter our prejudices ; break the power of every evil passion, habit, appetite, and desire ; raise us from the death of sin to the life of righteousness ; strengthen us for every good work, and enable us to proclaim, not only with our lips, but in our lives, that the great Prophet like unto Moses is amongst us, and that God, our God, hath visited and redeemed his people. Heal the diseases of the sick ; help the weak ; strengthen them that do stand ; raise up the bowed down ; let the blind in heart see ; let the lame walk ; let the lepers be cleansed from their sins ; let the deaf hear the joyful sound ; let the dead in trespasses and in sins be raised ; and to the poor of all the land may the gospel be freely and fully and gloriously proclaimed. Hear these our prayers, O Lord. Accept our humble thanksgiving for all the mercies and the blessings of the day. Take us during the silent watches of the night under thy providential care. Never leave us, never forsake us ; but be with us in life ; and in the valley of the shadow of death let the Shepherd of Israel guide, uphold, and keep us. All we ask for this day, and for all the days and nights of our pilgrimage that remain, is in our Redeemer's name, and for his sake. Amen.

Twenty-First Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 50.

O THOU who art the hearer of prayer, thy hand is not shortened that it cannot redeem, thy power is not weakened that it cannot deliver. Thou makest the rivers a wilderness, thou clothest the heavens with blackness, thou makest sackcloth their covering. We bow our hearts at thy footstool, we ask of thee thy gracious blessing. Thou art our Father, we are the children of thine adoption. Hear us, we beseech thee, and help us. Do us all the good that thou seest we most deeply need. We ask our blessings for the sake of Him who was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities, on whom was the chastisement of our peace. For his sake justify us. O Lord, do thou help us; may there be no condemnation to us who are in Christ Jesus. May we be found in him, not having our own righteousness, but his. Deliver us from all sin, sanctify us to all good. And those who fear the Lord, and obey the voice of his servants, but yet walk in darkness and have no light, do thou endow with grace, O God, from the fountain of grace, to trust in the saving name of thee the Lord, and to stay themselves upon thee, thou mighty God of Jacob. This day let thy mercy be

upon us, even as we put our trust in thee. Thou art the King of glory, O Christ. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. We believe that thou wilt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make us to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, in thee do we trust; may we never be confounded. Our hope is in the Lord our God; may none who trust in thee ever be ashamed. And now unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before his presence in glory with exceeding joy; to the only wise God, even Jesus our Saviour, be glory, and majesty, and dominion, and power. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us all this day and evermore. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

2 Corinthians 13.

O HEARER of prayer, give us the spirit of prayer; reveal to us our deep wants and necessities by thy Holy Spirit; and do thou help us to ask of thee, who givest liberally and upbraidest not. O Lord, when we are weak in ourselves, may we be strong in Christ. Send forth thy light and thy truth, we earnestly beseech thee, into all our souls, for Jesus' sake. May we examine ourselves

whether we be in the faith ; may we prove our own selves. O Lord, we pray that we may do no evil ; we pray that we may ever do and seek after that which is honest. May we never be left to do any thing against the truth, but may all we do contribute to the spread of thy blessed gospel. We pray that those sins, which thou knowest, but which we may have forgotten, may all be blotted out through the peace-speaking sacrifice of Him who is our only Prince, Redeemer, and Saviour. We pray that by thy Holy Spirit we may be strong. And, O God, when we shall bid farewell to this present world, and shall appear before thy judgment throne, may it be to hear the blessed invitation, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." O Lord, make us of good comfort ; grant that we may be of one mind ; give us grace to live in peace ; and, O thou God of love and peace, be thou with us even to the end. We thank and praise thee, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, for the mercies and blessings of another day—for daily bread, for providential care, for Christian privileges, for light, and life, and peace. Let these our prayers come before thee, and be presented in the golden censer of the great Intercessor who is before thy throne. And unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God, even our Saviour, be glory, and majesty, and blessing, and

power, now and ever. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, this night and ever more. Amen.

Twenty-Second Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 51: 1-12.

O LORD, we beseech thee to hear us for the sake of Christ the Rock of ages. Look upon him, even thine Anointed, and for his sake, do thou bless us. Make us children of Abraham by making us children of thine adoption, heirs of thee, and joint-heirs with Christ. Pardon our sins, we beseech thee, in his name; clothe us with thy righteousness, even the righteousness which is of thee through faith. For his sake accept of our thanksgivings for all the mercies of the night past. Continue thy loving-kindness and protecting and preserving goodness with us this day. Let thy righteousness be near to us. Send forth thy salvation to the uttermost ends of the earth; let the isles wait upon thee. In thine arm may we trust. Let thy salvation be for ever, and may thy righteousness never be abolished. Put on thy strength, O arm of the Lord; wake, as in ancient days, in the

generations of old. Save thy people with a mighty hand from the depths of sin and Satan, and let the redeemed return, and come with singing unto Zion, and let everlasting joy be upon our heads. May we obtain gladness and joy; may sorrow and mourning for ever flee away. O thou who comfortest thy people, who art our Maker, who hast stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth, be thou our strength and our refuge, our trust, and our hope, and our strong deliverer. Say unto us, O thou Holy One of Israel, Thou art my people. Save us, we beseech thee, from destruction, famine, plague, pestilence, and the sword. Comfort us in our trials, deliver us from perils, sanctify to us our afflictions, make all things work together for good to them that love thee, and are the called according to thy purpose. This day, in transacting this world's business, and engaging in its duties, may we set thee before us, and seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, that all other things may be added unto us. O Lord, hear our prayers, we beseech thee, in heaven thy dwelling-place, in the name of him whom thou hearest always.

Our Father, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

Ephesians i Ch.

MAY grace and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, be upon us.

Blessed be thou, O God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hast blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. Multiply these blessings upon us. Withdraw them not because of our ingratitude, but continue thy loving-kindness according to thy great mercies. May we be to the praise of the glory of thy grace; do thou make us accepted in the Beloved; give us redemption and the enjoyment of it, through the blood of Christ. Seal to us the forgiveness of sins according to the riches of thy grace; and, O God, grant that we may be to the praise and to the glory of thee, because we have trusted in Christ. O Lord, do thou, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give unto us the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him. Enlighten the eyes of our understanding; help us to know the hope of our calling, and to enjoy the riches of the glory of thine inheritance in the saints. May we be influenced by the exceeding greatness of thy power to live in thee and for thee; and may we rise and set our hearts where Christ is, at thy right hand in the heavenly places, above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion; and may we regard his name as above every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come. May we be members of his body, making thereby the fulness of him that filleth all in all. O Lord, do thou hear our petitions. Forgive the sins of this day. May we lie down under thine overshadowing

wings, and rise up strengthened for thy service, and for all the duties that in thy providence await us. And all we ask is for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Twenty-third Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 35.

LORD, may we look forward with unspeakable joy to that day, when the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad, and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. O God, hasten, we beseech thee, the fulfilment of thy blessed promise, and let the earth blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. Let the glory of Lebanon be given to it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon. May we and all flesh see in all its greatness the glory of the Lord; and in our hearts, and the hearts of all mankind, may there be planted a growing sense of the excellency of our God. O Lord, strengthen our weak hands, and confirm our feeble knees, we humbly beseech thee. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong; fear not. Come, O Lord, and save us from the curse of sin by a Saviour's sacrifice, and from the power and pre-

sence of sin by thy Holy Spirit. Open the eyes of the blind, unstop the ears of the deaf, let the lame run and not be weary, and walk and not faint. Let the dumb sing. In the wilderness let waters break out, and streams in the desert. O may the parched ground of every desert become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of waters, and let the way of holiness be manifested to all flesh, and be crowded by increasing thousands. Let the wayfaring men, though fools, not err therein. May the ransomed of the Lord return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads. May we, too, who are here before thee, and who are by nature poor, needy, miserable, and blind, and who cannot be holy or happy out of thee, or far from thee, obtain joy and gladness, and may sorrow and sighing flee away from our hearts for ever. May the new Jerusalem come down from heaven as a bride adorned for the bridegroom. Let thy glory so fill the earth, that there shall be no need of the sun, nor of the moon, nor of the stars. Hasten the time when there shall be no crying, nor sorrow, nor death, but all former things shall have passed away. Let these our prayers and praises come before thee, and let thy blessing rest upon us, through Jesus Christ. And may grace, and mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us all, this day and evermore. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Ephesians 2.

O LORD, quicken us, we beseech thee, and sanctify us by thy Holy Spirit. Forbid that we should walk according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience. Lord, show thyself unto us rich in mercy. Love us still with a great love; save us by grace, for we have no merit of our own; and raise us up to sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. Manifest toward us, O Lord, the exceeding riches of thy grace, through Christ Jesus. Save us, again we beseech thee, by grace through faith, which is the gift of God. We have no works of our own that entitle us to thy presence; but Christ is the end of the law, and was made sin for us, that we might be made thy righteousness in him. May this be our trust and confidence in the hour of death and in the day of judgment. Make us, O Lord, thine own workmanship; create us in Christ Jesus unto good works; help us to walk in them. May Christ Jesus be our peace. May all that are far off be brought nigh by his precious blood. May strangers to the covenant of promise, without God and without hope in the world, be brought to thee through Him. Through Him as our only Mediator may we ever rejoice to have access to thee, our Father, by

the strength, inspiration, and leading of the Holy Spirit. Lord, may we be no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens of the saints and of the household of faith. May we indeed be built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, as living stones, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone. Gracious God, write all the precious privileges that belong to thine own upon our hearts; help us earnestly to desire them, and thankfully to use them; and to dedicate ourselves, and all our influence and power, to the praise and glory of Him who loved us, and washed us in his blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and the Father. Let grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us this night and evermore. Amen.

Twenty-fourth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 60: 1-16.

O THOU Sun of righteousness, arise and shine with healing under thy wings. Let the darkness that covers the earth, and the gross darkness that covers the people, be scattered. May the Lord arise upon us, and let his glory be seen upon us.

Hasten the day when thine ancient church, cast off for its unbelief, shall be converted and brought again to thee; and when the abundance of the sea and the forces of the Gentiles shall come also to thee, and praise and trust in thee. Hasten that day predicted in ancient prophecy, when all shall be righteous, and they that have been longest and most afflicted shall be most highly exalted and favored of thee. We pray for thine ancient people the Jews. Turn their hearts, O Lord, we beseech thee; and grant that the day may soon come when the heathen shall pray to thee; and when the sons of strangers shall build the walls of thy church, and kings shall minister unto it, and all the nations and kingdoms of the earth shall serve thee. O Lord, hasten that true and lasting city that hath foundations, whose walls are salvation, and whose gates are praise, that cometh down from heaven as a bride prepared for the bridegroom. Look upon thy church universal, and hasten the day when its sun shall no more go down, nor its moon withdraw itself, when the Lord shall be her everlasting light, and the days of her mourning shall be ended. May we believe all thy promises, which are yea and amen in Christ Jesus; may our hearts be cheered by them; may we pray daily for their fulfilment. Hasten thy coming and thy kingdom, O Lord. Take to thee thy mighty power. Thou Holy One of Israel, be thou our God and our guide even unto death. All we beg is for our Redeemer's name's sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Galatians 3.

O LORD, may the Holy Spirit dwell in our hearts. We thank thee that Jesus Christ has been set forth evidently crucified before us. Make us, and all connected with us, the children of Abraham by believing in Jesus Christ, whose day Abraham saw, and rejoiced. In Jesus may all nations be blessed. In him may we be blessed with the forgiveness of sins, and the hopes of an inheritance among them who are sanctified. Number us with the just who live by faith. Gracious God, we bless thee that Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us. O let the blessing of Abraham come upon us through Christ. May we receive the promise of the Spirit for Christ's sake. Heavenly Father, make us heirs of thy kingdom. May we hold fast the blessed truth, that it is by grace, and not by merit, that we have the least blessing here, or a crown of glory hereafter. May the law be to us a schoolmaster to bring us into Christ. May a deep sense of our own sinfulness and inability to keep the law lead us directly to trust in Him who kept the law for us, and in whom we are made heirs, according to the promise, of an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled. We thank thee that in Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, neither bond nor free, neither male nor female, but that all that believe in Him are one in Him. Lord, teach

us, and write upon our hearts all these truths; and may we lie down in peace rejoicing in them, for Christ's sake. Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

Twenty-Fifth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 61 : 1-11.

O LORD, we praise and bless thee that Jesus Christ thine anointed came into the world to seek and to save sinners. Blessed Redeemer, do thou fulfil thy mission in the midst of us. Bind up the brokenhearted, proclaim liberty to the captives, open the prison to them that are bound. Give unto them that mourn in Zion beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. Make us trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that thy blessed name may be glorified. Build the old wastes, and raise up the former desolations of thy church universal. Make us a royal priesthood, kings and priests unto the Lord. O thou who lovest judgment and hatest iniquity, direct our work in truth; make with us an everlasting covenant; let everlasting joy be upon us. May we be the seed which the Lord hath blessed. Give us grace greatly to rejoice in thee

the Lord. Clothe us with the garments of salvation, even the raiment white and clean, which is the righteousness of saints. Cover us with the robe of righteousness : adorn us with the ornaments of thy Spirit ; and when thou makest up thy jewels, may we be among those whom thou sparest as a father spareth the son that serveth him. Hasten, O Lord, the blessed day when the earth shall bring forth her bud, and when thou wilt cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations of the earth. This day command thy blessing upon all we undertake, counsel us in difficulty, and support us in trial. Sweeten to us our afflictions ; keep us from sin ; help us to glorify thee in soul and body, which are thine ; and when heart and flesh faint and fail, be thou our strength and portion for ever, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Galatians 4 : 1-26.

HEAVENLY Father, we adore and praise thee, that when the fulness of the time was come, thou didst send forth thy Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. May our transgressions be all put away for his sake. In him may we be justified. Through him, O God, forgive us. For his name's sake pronounce in each of our hearts the Divine absolution,

“Thy sins be forgiven thee.” Give us thy Holy Spirit. Give us the Spirit of adoption, the Spirit of thy Son, enabling us to say to thee, Abba, Father. May we ever feel that thou art our Father ; may we judge all things that befall us upon earth by a sense of this Divine and holy relationship. O Lord, may we walk as thy children ; may the world see that we are thine ; may we bring praise and glory to thy name by living as becometh the heirs of so great promises, the inheritors of so rich a reward. Deliver us from all false doctrine, and heresy, and error, and superstition. Establish and strengthen us in the maintenance of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. May it please thee, O Lord, to keep us from falling. May it please thee to pardon all our sins, in the name, and through the precious sacrifice, of Jesus Christ our only Saviour. This night, O Lord, let grace, and mercy, and peace be upon us and with us. And may the peace of God that passeth all understanding keep our hearts and minds through Jesus Christ. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us, this night and evermore. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Twenty-sixth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 63: 1-14.

THOU who hast greatness of strength, who art glorious in holiness, who speakest in righteousness, who art mighty to save, Prince of the kings of the earth, King of kings, and Lord of lords, we look up to thee, and bless thee, that when there was none to help, and none to uphold, thine arm did bring salvation. We bless thee that thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. We bless thee that when thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst rise again, and now reignest a Prince and an Intercessor at the right hand of God. Heavenly Father, thou who didst so love the world, that thou gavest thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him might not perish, we will mention thy loving-kindness for ever and ever. We will set forth the praise of thee the Lord, according to all that thou hast bestowed upon us. Make us thy people; be thou manifested as our Saviour. In all our afflictions sympathize with us; let the Angel of the everlasting covenant save us, and redeem us, in his love and his pity, and carry us, as in the days of old. In all our wanderings do thou guide us. Cause us to rest. Make to thyself by us and through us a glorious name. Look down from heaven, and behold thy people. Spare us, O Lord,

and be not angry with us for ever. Forgive us our sins through the blood of sprinkling. Thou art our Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not. Thou art our Father, our Redeemer, thy name is from everlasting. Consecrate us to thy service; make us like thee in character; help us to love thee, and to acknowledge thee in all our ways. Give us this day our daily bread; deliver us from all evil; lead us into no temptation; enrich us with every needed grace; and, finally, bring us into thine everlasting glory, through Christ the Saviour. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Galatians 5.

O LORD, grant that we may stand fast in the liberty with which Christ has made us free. We thank thee that to us there is no condemnation, because we are in Christ Jesus. We bless thee that we are emancipated alike from the curse and the consequence of a broken law, and are justified by Jesus Christ freely through his righteousness. May we not be entangled again with the yoke of bondage. May we look to the Lamb of God alone for pardon, acceptance, and righteousness, and may we imitate his example and imbibe his spirit, and so walk in the Spirit. May we love our neighbors even as ourselves. From all evil and mischief, from all idolatry and hatred, from all variance, emulations, wrath,

strife, seditions, heresies, from all envyings, and all other sins of the flesh and the spirit, good Lord, graciously deliver us. And enable us, blessed Lord, at home and in the world to bring forth all the fruits of thy Holy Spirit,—love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance. May we have grace from thee, O Lord, to live in the Spirit, and to walk in the Spirit. May we be epistles written of the Holy Ghost, seen and read of all men. Forgive our past sins, and our forgetfulness of pressing obligations, through the precious blood of Him who died for us, and who came into the world, not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be accepted before thee this evening, in the name of our only Lord and Saviour, Christ Jesus. Amen.

Twenty-seventh Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 64: 1-12.

HEAVENLY Father, do thou rend the heavens, and come down and command thy blessing upon us and upon ours this day. We thank thee for the rest of another night, and for the dawn of

another morn, and for all the temporal and spiritual blessings which thou hast bestowed upon us. Above all, we praise and bless thee that thou hast laid up for us spiritual and everlasting mercies and joys, such as eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, nor heart conceived. O Lord, we have sinned against thee. We all do fade as a leaf. Nevertheless, O Lord, we come to thee. Thou art our Father: we are all the work of thine hand. Meet us, we beseech thee, for Christ's sake; be not wroth with us, O Lord. Remember not our iniquities for ever. We are thy people purchased with the precious blood of the Lamb; save us, for the sake of Him who died for us, and rose again for our justification. Give us thy Holy Spirit, that we may work righteousness, and rejoice in thee, and remember thee, and turn to thee with our whole heart. Look upon the holy cities which are now a wilderness, and upon Jerusalem which is now a desolation. Hasten the restoration of the once holy and beautiful house, and may the children praise thee where the fathers crucified the Lord of glory; and may the children of Abraham according to the flesh speedily become thy children in spirit and in truth, by the regeneration of thy Holy Spirit. This day, O Lord, do thou keep us; may we walk as those who are pilgrims and strangers, looking for a city that hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. Hear us, O Lord, for the sake of our Redeemer. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Galatians 6.

O LORD, give us the spirit of Christ; help us to pray in the Spirit. Open our minds to see how many things we stand in need of; and give us by thy Holy Spirit earnestness and confidence to seek those things. We ask thee, blessed Father, to pardon all the sins of this day, through the atonement of Him in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. We ask thee, blessed Lord, to give us what thou hast promised, grace to bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. O Lord, may we sow to the Spirit, and of the Spirit reap life everlasting. Grant that we may never be weary of well-doing, but ever remember that in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Give us grace, as opportunities present themselves, to do good unto all men, especially to them that are of the household of faith. O God, grant, we earnestly beseech thee, that the great truths of thy holy gospel may appear to us more and more precious, and that on no account may we ever let them go. God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom may the world be crucified unto us, and we unto the world. May we never forget that in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; neither form, nor ceremony; but a new creature. May we count all but loss for the excel-

lency of Jesus Christ. Forgetting all that is behind, and encompassed with so great a cloud of witnesses, give us grace to run the race set before us, looking to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. May we take up each his cross and follow him. May we follow the example and inherit the joy of Christ. May we walk evermore according to this rule; and may the peace that passeth understanding be on us; and may the mercy of the God of Israel be vouchsafed to us. O Lord, hear these our prayers, and accept these our thanksgivings; and let the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with our spirits. Amen.

Twenty-Eighth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Isaiah 38: 1-20.

O LORD, to whom belong the issues of life, thou art the living and the true God. Do thou keep us, we beseech thee, and help us to set our house in order, not knowing when we shall die, and appear before thee. O Lord, we plead not our righteousness, for we are guilty, but only the righteousness of thine Anointed, in whom thou art well pleased. Enable us to walk before thee in truth, and with perfect hearts. Give us grace to do that which is good always in thy sight. Hear, O Lord,

our prayers, and behold our tears, we beseech thee, and spare us in the land of the living, and continue to us our mercies, our privileges, and our blessings; and as our age departs, and is removed as a shepherd's tent, may the inner man be strengthened and renewed every day. O Lord, in thee we live, and move, and have our being; graciously recover and restore us to thy favor, and make us to live before thee, and to serve thee all the days of our pilgrimage upon earth. O God, in thy great love deliver our souls from the pit of corruption, and through the atoning death and all-availing intercession of Jesus Christ, cast all our sins behind thy back. May we who are this day numbered with the living praise thee, O Lord, who art ready to save. Give us grace to sing to thee songs of deliverance all the days of our life in the house of the Lord our God. Make us this day not slothful in business, fervent in spirit, serving thee the Lord. Deliver us from every evil, and strengthen us for the discharge of every duty, and prosper us with that blessing which maketh truly rich, and addeth no sorrow. May we be strong this day in the Lord, and in the power of his might. May we put on the whole armor of God. May our feet be shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; may ours be the shield of faith, the breastplate of righteousness, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And let grace be with us, and with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and in truth, for his name's sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

1 Thessalonians 3 Ch.

O LORD, we draw near to thee as children to a Father, as sinners to a God, reconciling the world to thyself in Christ Jesus. We humbly beseech thee to pronounce in our hearts thy Divine absolution,—Thy sins be forgiven thee. We earnestly entreat thee to give us thy Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts—a light that never shall be darkened, a flame that never shall be quenched, a life that shall never die. Through the power of thy Holy Spirit, our Teacher, our Comforter, our Sanctifier, do thou graciously stablish and comfort us. Grant that we may not be moved by our afflictions, knowing that all things work together for good to them that love God, and are the called according to his purpose. May we weep as though we wept not, and rejoice as though we rejoiced not, and suffer patiently the tribulations assigned us in thy providence, knowing that through much tribulation we must enter into the kingdom of heaven. Deliver us, O Lord, from the wicked one, who goeth about, like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Either suffer us not to be tempted above what we are able to bear, or lead us not into temptation at all. O merciful Father, may our faith and charity be increased more and more. In all our afflictions and distresses may we be comforted and upheld by thee. Around us let the everlasting arms be, and over us

thy shield and thy protection. O our Father, do thou hear us, and let the cry of thy children and family come up before thee, and do thou for Christ's sake, and in Christ's name, direct our way. Make us to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men. Graciously stablish our hearts and preserve them unblamable in holiness before thee, the heart-searching God, and our Father; and grant that we may be accepted of thee at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints, when he shall come in the clouds with power and great glory, and shall receive his own to himself, that so we may be for ever with the Lord. Keep us during the night-watches; let thy presence be with us; defend us from all dangers; and may all that are near and dear to us be blessed of thee with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. Let these the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, come before thee as the evening incense. Amen.

Twenty-ninth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

Jeremiah 7 : 21-34.

LORD, to whom can we come but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the

truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. O Lord, give us grace to hearken unto thee, and to obey thy voice, and to love thee as our God. O do thou anoint us, and make us thy people, and give us grace to walk in all the ways that thou hast commanded us, that it may be well with us on earth, and well with us hereafter in glory. O Lord, we confess that we have too long and too much walked in our own counsel, and in the imagination of our own hearts, and that we have been often ungrateful to thee, and unmindful of thee, and have not always obeyed the voice of the Lord our God. Yet we turn unto thee, O Lord, and beseech thee for the sake of Him who is our strength and our Redeemer, to forgive us all our sins, to impute not to us our transgressions, to pronounce in our hearts thine own absolution, Thy sins be forgiven thee, to receive us graciously, and to love us freely. O Lord, look upon the earth that is full of darkness, and upon its desert places that are far from thee; and hasten the day when the voice of gladness, and the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, shall be heard over all the earth, and the Lord God omnipotent shall reign every where. Deliver us this day from all evil; sanctify us through thy truth, and bless us with all spiritual and temporal blessings, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

1 Thessalonians 4 Ch.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, to whom all hearts be open, and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, and enable us, as we have received of thee how we ought to walk and to please thee, to abound in this, alike our duty and our enjoyment, more and more. O Lord, may thy will, even our sanctification, be done in us, and through us, and by us. May thy grace teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, and righteously, and godly, in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ our God and Saviour. Call us by thy Spirit, as thou hast called us by thy word, unto holiness. May we love one another with pure hearts fervently. May each study to be quiet, and to do his own business, and to work with his own hands as commanded of thee. May we have grace to walk honestly toward them that are without. May we not sorrow concerning our relatives, brethren, and friends, that are asleep in Christ, as those that have no hope. Impress upon our hearts this blessed belief, that as Jesus died and rose again, even so them that sleep in Jesus will he bring with him; and whether we be alive at the coming of the Lord, or with the Lord in glory, may we equally be presented to him a glorious church,

without spot or blemish. Comfort us concerning the future of ourselves; comfort us concerning them that have left us with these precious truths. Write all thy promises, and all thy word and will, upon our hearts, and enable us to love thee more, to serve thee better, and to glorify thee and commend thy blessed gospel by the purity of our lives and the happiness of our hearts. For, all that we ask is in the name and through the merits of thy dear Son, to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be everlasting glory. Amen.

Thirtieth Day.

MORNING PRAYER.

93 Psalm. 94 Psalm 1-15.

LORD, thou reignest over all; the world is established by thee; thy throne is of old; thou art from everlasting; thy testimonies are sure, and holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, for ever. O thou who didst plant the ear, and formedst the eye, and who knowest the thoughts of man, help us to fear and worship thee, for thou only art worthy. This day may we go into thy courts with praise, and into thy gates with thanksgiving. In the multitude of our thoughts within us let thy comforts delight our souls. Be thou our defence, O

God; be thou the rock of our refuge. Teach thy ministering servants wisdom, give them power to unfold it. May thy word have free course and be glorified over all the earth. Let not the wicked triumph, let not the righteous suffer; hasten the day when mercy and truth shall meet together, and righteousness and peace embrace each other over a reclaimed and a happy world. O Lord, send forth thy light and thy truth to the uttermost ends of the earth; may the wide world soon be covered with the light of the knowledge of thy truth; may all flesh soon see the salvation of our God. Open our eyes to understand the things that belong to our eternal peace. Give us hearts to receive with meekness the engrafted word; may thy gospel be to us a savor of life; may thy church be increased more and more; may there be added to it daily such as shall be saved. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and accept of our praises, and be with us and bless us, and cause thy face to shine upon us, that thy ways may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. O let the nations rejoice and be glad; for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Hear us, and help us, and bless us, and do us good, for Christ's sake. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

1 Timothy 3 Ch.

O LORD, Fountain of all good things, pour down thy Holy Spirit upon thy whole church; specially do thou fit and largely endow for their office, its ministers and rulers. May they be blameless, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach. May they be patient, and not covetous. May thy Holy Spirit fit them for their lofty and responsible duties. May they study thy blessed word; may they consecrate their time and talents to thy glory. May they be eminently successful in winning souls, in building up thy church, in reclaiming the lost, in encouraging the desponding, in strengthening the weak. May they be blessed, and be blessings to all men. O thou, who didst ascend on high, and didst lead captivity captive, giving gifts unto men, give thy Holy Spirit unto all whom thou hast appointed in thy church, that they may know how to conduct themselves in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. O Lord our heavenly Father, we thank and praise thee, that thou hast made known to us the mystery of godliness. We thank thee that God was manifest in the flesh, and that in Jesus we can see thee as thou art; may we soon love thee as we ought. We praise thee that he was justified in the Spirit, and seen of angels, and preached unto us Gentiles, and believed

on in our hearts, and is now in glory, ever living to plead and intercede for us. O Lord, help us to walk worthy of our precious privileges; may we honor the doctrine we profess; may the world take notice of us, that we have been with Jesus; and at last may we be presented faultless before thy presence in glory with exceeding joy. O Lord, give us grace fully to proclaim the great mystery of godliness, and to preach it directly or indirectly, according to our office or means, to the Gentiles. Make thy church a faithful witness, a firm pillar, a light to the nations. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and bless us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Saviour. Unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before thy presence in glory, be all honor and blessing. Amen.



Thirty-First Day.



MORNING PRAYER.

Jeremiah 17: 5-18.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, help us to feel in all their force the great truths that thou hast written for our instruction. Forbid, O Lord, that we should trust in man, or make flesh our arm, or that our heart should depart from thee the living

God. Forgive our past apostasy from thee, whether in thought, in word, or in deed, through the atoning sacrifice of Him who was made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. Absolve us in Him, O thou who only art able. Make us trees planted by the waters, that spread out their roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but whose leaves shall be green. O Lord, we confess that our hearts are by nature deceitful above all things and desperately wicked. O thou who searchest the heart, sanctify it, we beseech thee. We confess that we have often forsaken the fountain of living waters, and hewn out to ourselves broken cisterns that can hold no water; but do thou heal us, and we shall be healed; save us, and we shall be saved. Be not a terror to us, but be our hope in the day of evil. Help us to hallow thy sabbaths, and to count them joyful days, as thou hast commanded to our fathers. May we grow in grace, as we grow in days and in years; guide us by thy counsel while we live, and receive us to thyself when we die. To live may it be Christ, and to die let it be great gain to each of us. May we honor thee that thou mayest honor us. Bless all in whose spiritual and eternal well-being we feel a deep interest. Bless all thy people. Hear us in heaven thy dwelling-place, and when thou hearest, forgive, through Christ our Saviour. Be with us this day in all our ways. Keep our eyes from tears and our feet from falling. Hold up our goings that

our footsteps slip not. And may the peace of God that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and abide with us all evermore. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

I Timothy 4 Ch.

LORD, we thank thee that the Spirit speaks to the churches; we bless thee that thy word is truth, and that in it we can hear thy Holy Spirit address every conscience in words of warning, of encouragement, and always of love. We pray that we may be able to hold the truth in all its purity, and to accept as Divine and necessary to our salvation only what is founded on thy holy word. May we receive every blessing with thanksgiving. Make all thy ministering servants good ministers of Jesus Christ. Make us examples in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity, to all that are around us. Gracious God, may we take heed to ourselves, and walk worthy of our calling. We pray that thou wouldest hasten that blessed day when we shall no more teach every man his neighbor, saying, Know the Lord; but all shall know thee from the least to the greatest, and the whole earth shall be filled with thy glory. Hear our peti-

tions, heavenly Father. Help us to hallow thy name, and to do thy will, and to promote thy kingdom. Give thou to us daily bread; pardon all our sins through the blood of sprinkling; deliver us from all evil; lead us into no temptation. We thank thee, O Father of mercies, for all the mercies of another day. We praise thee for daily bread; yet more heartily do we thank thee for the bread of life that cometh down from heaven. Fill our hearts with joy and thanksgiving. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and be gracious to us. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace. May the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. And all that we ask is for our Saviour's sake. Amen.

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Sunday Morning.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling:

ALMIGHTY Father, who, on this first morning of the week, didst bring again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, grant that we, who are buried with Him in our baptism, may be also raised with Him through faith in his resurrection. May we set our minds on the things which are above, where He sitteth on Thy right hand. May we die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

Give us grace this day to keep worthily the feast of His resurrection. May we rest from worldly thoughts and plans; and where our treasure is, there may our hearts be also. Be with us at home, and in Thy house of prayer.

Help us to unite heartily with thy people in all the

services of thy house—in the songs and the supplications—in reading and hearing thy holy word.

O Lord, strengthen Thy ministers to-day, that they may speak with power, and teach Thou those that are set to teach Thy people. Pour upon Thy churches the spirit of prayer, that not their lips only, but their hearts, may speak unto Thee. Awaken the careless, convince the doubting, confirm the weak, add power to the strong.

May every Lord's day prepare us for the Day of the Lord; and each time that we celebrate His resurrection fit us to rise when He shall call us to glory.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lord bless us, and keep us this day and ever, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Sunday Evening.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling:

THE day of prayer and praise is over. We have been to the Lord's house, with the assembly

of His people. We have asked many things from Him. We have offered unto Him the sacrifice of thanksgiving. We have received the seed of His word.

And now, Lord, that we are met before thee, give us grace to search our hearts. What are we the better for this day? Have we grown in grace, and in the knowledge of Thy blessed Son? Are we looking for the things which we have prayed for at Thine hands? Are we more thankful for having uttered our praises? We have refreshed this day Thy vows which were upon us. Are we more resolved than ever to obey Thee? better armed for Thy warfare? more determined, that as for us and ours we will serve the Lord?

Grant that we may be neither barren nor unfruitful: Thy ministers have sown and watered; do Thou, O Lord of the harvest, give the increase in our hearts.

And now, at the end of the Lord's day, we would thank Thee for its hours of rest, and for its means of grace. Hasten that blessed time, when thy kingdom shall have come, and all shall know Thee, from the least even to the greatest; when the knowledge of Thy glory shall cover the earth, as the waters cover the sea. And to that end, prosper Thou the missionary work of Thy Church. Turn towards Thyself the hearts of the heathen and the unbelieving. Pour out more and more upon Thy people the spirit of grace and supplication; the spirit of zeal and self-devotion; the spirit of holy fear, and Christian love.

To thee, heavenly Father, we commend ourselves this night. O thou Good Shepherd, watch over us, the sheep of Thy pasture. O Holy Ghost the Comforter, guide and hallow our thoughts.

Thou in whom all families are blessed, bless Thou our kindred and friends. May all who are united to us be with us united to Thee; be with us presented by Thee in the presence of Thy Father with exceeding joy.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.



Monday Morning.



First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling:

THE day of rest is over, and we are again going forth to our work. May the God of labor and of rest be with us.

Thou who wast all those years subject to Thy parents at Nazareth, give us the spirit of willing obedience one to another, and to those who are set over us.

Help us to obey thee.

Thou who at the first wroughtest in creation, bringing order out of confusion, and light out of

darkness, dwell in us and guide us, that our work may be like Thine.

Help us to do all things well.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, help us this day to keep the covenant in which we are bound to Thee. May we set God always before us. May we stand in awe and sin not.

May we never forget thee.

From all evil thoughts; from vain, and bitter, and hasty words; from doing that which should not be done, and leaving undone that which we ought to do,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all indolence and selfishness; from ungentle manners and tones of voice; from forgetting, or not caring for one another's infirmities,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of temptation this day; in all times of flattery or success; in case we are sick; in case we have to die,

Good Lord, deliver us.

O God, great is thy lovingkindness: accept our offering of thanks and praise. For our creation and preservation; for our sleep last night, and our safety this morning; for the comforts of this world, and the hopes of the world to come,

We bless Thee, good Lord.

For our stations and occupations in life; for our dear relations and friends; for all that reminds us of Thee, and all opportunities of glorifying Thee,

We bless Thee, good Lord.

For Thy love in our redemption; for Thy free bestowal of Thine only Begotten Son; for thine unspeakable gift of the Holy Spirit,

Above all we bless Thee, good Lord.

Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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Monday Evening.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling:

THE day is gone, and has become a portion of the past, never to be called back again. O Lord, thou knowest whether we have spent it in Thy fear. In the midst of its weaknesses and shortcomings, Thou alone canst tell whether our hearts have been right with Thee. If with Thine Apostle we have this day denied Thee, may we yet with Thine Apostle be able to say, "Thou knowest all things, thou knowest that I love thee."

Help us to feel this.

Let not this day rise up against us in the judgment. And to the end that it may not, we come, O Lord, before Thee, and we stand by faith at the fountain which Thou hast opened for sin and un-

cleanness. We take of that atoning Blood, and sprinkle it upon our hearts.

Cleanse us, O Lord.

And now we are going to rest, and to be each one of us alone with Thee. Thou who slumberest not nor sleepest, watch over us for good.

Watch over us.

From all perils and dangers, from sudden sickness and nightly alarm, from restlessness and distressing dreams,

O Lord, deliver us.

From all attacks of the tempter of souls ; from all selfish, unkind, and sinful thoughts,

O Lord, deliver us.

May our sleep be sweet, and our waking be blessed : blessed, if we wake to see one another again, and to go forth in Thy strength to our work : blessed, if we wake in the world of spirits, satisfied with Thy perfect likeness.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For thine is the kingdom. The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling :

WE are met together from our chambers, refreshed for the work of another day. Praised be God for His mercies to us. O Lord, fill our souls with thankfulness to Thee. During this day may we walk as Thy redeemed ones ; may we follow the guidance of Thy blessed Spirit. Whether we eat, or drink, or whatever we do, may we do all to Thy glory. Thou God of love, teach us by Thy Spirit of love, hear us through the Son of Thy love, while we make our intercessions for all men.

For our rulers and all in authority : for Thy Church and her Ministers,

We pray Thee, good Lord.

For all whom we love, and all who love us : for our dear relations now absent from us : for all connected with us in business or in society,

We pray Thee, good Lord.

For all who have wronged or slighted us : for all whom we have wronged or slighted : for all who hate us without a cause, and all of whom we are disposed to think or speak uncharitably,

We pray Thee, good Lord.

For all who are infirm, or sick, or dying : for all

who have lost dear friends: for all aged persons, and all little children,

We pray Thee, good Lord.

For all who are under sore temptation: for all who are doubting in faith, or distressed in conscience: for all who are under dejection, and hiding of Thy countenance,

We pray Thee, good Lord.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday Evening.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling:

ANOTHER day has gone to its account, and we are again gathered together before God. O Lord, how can we stand, if Thou shouldst be extreme to mark what we have done amiss? But blessed be Thy name that Thou hast reconciled us to Thyself by Thy blessed Son, and wilt not impute our trespasses unto us. For His merits and in His name,

cast us not out of Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

Hear us, O Lord.

Thou hast taught us to pray that Thy kingdom may come. Hear us while we plead with Thee for the spread of Thy gospel throughout the world. First, O Lord, look in mercy on Thine own flock who have entered into covenant with Thee. O heal their divisions, enlighten their dark places, strengthen their feeble and scattered efforts. Look upon vast tracts of Christendom yet bound in ignorance and superstition. Look upon those who, having Thy commandments, yet worship other gods besides Thee. And here in our own country, O Lord, unite us in Thy faith and fear, and in Christian charity one to another. May we leave off murmurings and disputings, and put away the spirit of party from among us. By whatever name men may call us, may we be known as Thine by Thy works abounding in us. *Amen.*

And do Thou look in mercy on the outer darkness of Heathendom; and on them that sit in the shadow of death, cause Thy light to shine. O Lord, it is many an age since the armies of Thy faith have marched forward, and possessed the enemy's lands. Show us, we beseech Thee, this token in our time, that our work is of Thee. Advance the frontiers of Thy kingdom on earth, and hasten the coming of Thy kingdom from heaven, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

Wednesday Morning.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling :

LET us give thanks. O God, our reconciled Father in Christ, we come to Thee as Thine own children, to thank Thee for Thy great mercies. We lay down and slept, and arose in safety, for Thine arms were around us. We bless Thee for thus preserving us. We bless Thee for our food and raiment, for our interests and comforts, for all that makes this present life to be desired. But above all, we bless Thee for our place in Thy family by redemption through Jesus Christ, Thy Son. O Lord, what are we, that we should lift up our faces before Thee, and stand accepted in thy presence?

Praise be to Thee for the Incarnation of Jesus; praise be to Thee for the Obedience of Jesus; praise be to Thee for the Blood of Jesus; praise be to Thee for the Glory of Jesus. For He is ours, and He is Thine, and we are His. He is our Sacrifice, and Thy Satisfaction; our Glorious Head, and Thine only begotten Son; our Intercessor, and Thy Beloved; our merciful High Priest, and Thine Anointed King. Blessing and honor, praise and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

O may we live by faith in Him; may we increase

in union with Him; may we this day, and every day, become more and more like Him, till we see Him as He is, and be changed into His perfect likeness.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, and wisdom and strength, and honor and glory and blessing. *Amen.*

Wednesday Evening.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling:

THE shades of evening have closed around us, and night, with its hours of sleep and silence, is at hand. The outward light is gone from our eyes: Lord, send us a greater measure of Thy Light in our hearts. Now that sense has ceased to guide us, guide Thou us the more by faith. Now that the world no longer spreads its objects before us, do Thou, O Holy Spirit, take of the things of Christ, and show them unto us. When the lights which man kindles are put out around us, may our souls dwell in the Light of Thy countenance. May we behold in thought the Throne, and Him that sitteth thereon, and the multitude whom no man

can number, and the heavenly host praising Thee for evermore.

In Thy light may we see light.

Lord, reckon not against us the sins and weaknesses of the day that is passed. Make us clean in the atoning Blood of Thy dear Son. If we live this night, may it be in Thy favor and acceptance ; if we die this night, may we sleep in Jesus.

He giveth his beloved sleep.

And now, O Lord, we would intercede with Thee for those whom we ought to remember in our prayers. On our rulers and country : on Thy Church and her ministers : on all in power, and on all in eminence, and on all in places of responsibility,

Pour out, we pray Thee, Thy blessing.

On all members of Thy church scattered through the world : on all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity : on all who prepare their hearts to fear Thee, though it be not with the preparation of Thy sanctuary,

Pour out, we pray Thee, Thy blessing.

On all who are working with their hands : on all who are studying and increasing knowledge : on all who are travelling and trafficking,

Pour out, we pray Thee, Thy blessing.

On all who cannot yet, or can no longer work,—on infants and the aged, on the sick and infirm : on the afflicted, bereaved, and dejected,

Pour out, we pray Thee, Thy blessing.

On all our friends and kindred : on all our neigh-

bors and acquaintances : on all our countrymen,
and on all mankind,

Pour out, we pray Thee, Thy blessing.

And to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be glory now and evermore. *Amen.*

Thursday Morning.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling :

O LORD, who by the example of Thy blessed
Apostle St. Paul hast taught us to forget those
things which are behind, and to reach forth unto
those things that are before; give us grace this day
that we may press toward the mark of the prize of
our high calling of Thee, in Christ Jesus. May we
cast aside every weight, and the sins which easily
beset us, and run with patience the race set before
us, looking unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of
our faith. As He for the joy set before Him endured
the cross, despising the shame, even so may we ever
have before us our heavenly reward, and in like
manner not fear what men can do unto us, if we may
only acceptably serve Thee. *Amen.*

From all idleness and carelessness : from all self-

conceit and vanity: from all confidence in our own powers, and neglect of seeking Thy grace,

Lord, preserve and keep us.

From all want of love to one another: from all lack of charity in thinking and speaking of men: from all undue cleaving to our own likings and opinions,

Lord, preserve and keep us.

From all unkind and selfish feelings: from taking advantage of the weakness or the ignorance of others: from slighting any one, or inwardly despising any one,

Lord, preserve and keep us.

From all disregard of truth: from saying more or less than the fact to serve a purpose: from keeping back for our own gain that which we know, or seeming sure of that which we do not know,

Lord, preserve and keep us.

In the constant sense of our membership of Christ: in the unfailing thought that we are His soldiers and servants: in the love for our Father's house, and the blessed hope of our eternal home,

Lord, preserve and keep us.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.



Thursday Evening.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling :

O FATHER, who didst create us, and when we had lost our place in Thy family, didst beget us anew unto Thyself through Thy blessed Son by Thy spirit of Truth, Thou reignest above in the light unapproachable : Heaven is Thy throne and earth is Thy footstool : what are we, that Thou shouldest regard us, and adopt us as Thy reconciled children ? Teach Thou us to forget ourselves, and seek Thy glory : let Thy praise be shown forth in our time : let Thy great Name be known and feared : let the kingdoms of the world become Thine, till Thy holy law is kept by men as angels keep it above. And as for us, O Father, preserve us from day to day, and feed us with food convenient for us. And inas-much as our love cannot reach the measure of Thine, teach us to forgive others, as Thou hast forgiven us. Suffer us not to be tempted above that we are able : but however Thou triest us, keep us from harm within and without : from the evil in the world around us ; from the evil that is in ourselves ; from the Evil One, who lies in wait for our souls. *Amen.*

Thou, our Father, canst hear and answer our prayers : for Thou reignest over all from the beginning, and with Thee nothing is impossible : for Thy

pleasure and Thy praise all things are and were created. We come unto Thee through Him who taught us thus to pray: through Him who having obeyed and suffered for us, is gone into heaven and sitteth at Thy right hand: through Him who promised us, If ye shall ask the Father any thing in My name, I will do it: even Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all praise and glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Friday Morning.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling:

THIS is the day when the Sacrifice was offered on the Cross for the sin of the world. Let us remember our sins, and confess them to our Father in heaven.

Lord, we are Thy people, and the sheep of Thy pasture; bought with the precious blood of Thy dear Son; bound to Thee in an everlasting covenant. But we have not behaved as the children of Thy family; we have not walked as becometh the sheep of Thy flock; we have not followed where our Good Shepherd went before, but have turned aside after our own desires and pleasures, and have forgotten Thee. We have prayed too little, and given

thanks too seldom. And thus our faith has been weakened, our hope has become less sure, our love has waxed cold.

O heavenly Father, draw us anew unto Thee.

Draw us anew.

O blessed Jesus, turn Thou, and look upon us.

Turn and look upon us.

O Holy Ghost the Comforter, shine inwardly in our hearts again.

Shine in our hearts.

O heavenly Father, renew Thy pardon ; for we need it this day and ever.

Renew it, Lord.

O blessed Jesus, wash us afresh in Thine atoning Blood ; for we need it this day and ever.

Wash us afresh.

O Holy Spirit, quicken us again unto repentance ; for we need it this day and ever.

Quicken us.

O Thou, who hast adopted us as Thy children by the Son of Thy love, cast us not out of Thy family, neither blot us out of Thy book of life.

Father, hear us.

O Thou, who didst stretch out Thine hands on the Cross in sacrifice for us, pray Thou for us, that our faith fail not.

Pray for us.

O Thou, who art the earnest of the purchased possession, cease not to bear Thy witness within our hearts.

Hear us, O Christ.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Friday Evening.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling :

WE belong to a Master who has commanded us to love one another. Let us repent for having obeyed Him in this matter so little ; let us pray for His grace that we may obey Him more.

O Lord Jesus, greater love can none show than Thou hast shown for us. Thou didst empty Thyself of Thy glory : Thou didst condescend to be born in the form of a servant : Thou didst submit to weariness and pain : Thou didst endure contradiction and buffeting : Thou gavest Thy back to the smiters, and Thy sacred body to the terrible cross ; and all that we, thine enemies, might be healed and live. Thou didst put on the image of our shame, that we might be changed into the image of Thy glory. By this Thy great love Thou hast saved us, but Thou hast taught us also. Thy love went beyond all example, that it might serve for an example to all. But what is our love to Thine ? Yea, what is it compared to what it might have been, if we had borne Thine in mind ? Thou hadst not where to lay Thine head, yet Thou wast meek and lowly. Thou didst drink up the bitter cup of suffering, not doing Thine own, but Thy Father's will. O blessed Jesus, give us more charity, more

self-denial, more likeness to Thee. We give what we can spare, and bestow that which we shall not miss: O teach us to sacrifice our comforts to others, and our likings for the sake of doing good. Make us kindly in thought, gentle in word, generous in deed. If we are slighted, if we are injured, if we are slandered, teach us first to think how we may show kindness in return. Teach us that it is better to give than to receive: better to forget ourselves than to put ourselves forward: better to minister than to be ministered to: better to be last than to be first.

O Thou merciful and loving High Priest, who hast passed within the veil, and art in the presence of the Father, help us with Thy mighty intercession, that, our unworthiness being clothed upon with Thy perfect righteousness, we may stand accepted in the day of Thy coming, who livest and reignest with the Father, and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

And to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God, be praises now and ever. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling:

O GOD, who hast taught us in Thy word that there is still laid up a rest for Thy people, and

who hast given us a promise of entering into it, grant to us, we beseech Thee, that we fail not of that promise through unbelief and disobedience. From unthankfully despising our heavenly inheritance; from preferring the bondage of sin and our own devices, to the glorious liberty of Thy children,

Good Lord, deliver us.

And since it is only after labor that rest is sweet, do Thou enable us to prepare for entering Thy rest by a life of zeal and diligence. Whatever our hand findeth to do, may we do it with our might. May we be earnest in purpose, fervent in spirit, serving thee. Save each one of us from listlessness and indolence. May we remember that the time is short, and that the night cometh when no man can work. And thus, Lord, in faith and obedience, may we wait for Thy salvation, and the final manifestation of Thy children.

Hear us, good Lord.

Teach us that here we have no abiding city. Teach us to look for a house that hath foundations, of which Thou art the maker and builder. Lift our hearts thither in earnest desire. O Sabbath of eternal peace! O haven where the wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest! When shall we see Thee, O Lord, and behold the King in His beauty? When shall we meet the Apostles and Prophets, and the great multitude whom no man

can number? When shall we see again our dear friends who sleep in Jesus?

Prepare us for that day.

O God the Father, who hast the times and seasons in Thine own power, let not that day come upon us unawares.

Prepare us, O Lord.

O God the Son, who art gone to prepare a place for us, in Thine own time take us to Thyself, that where Thou art, there we may be also.

Hear us, O Lord.

O God the Holy Ghost, the pledge of future glory in our hearts, seal us until the redemption of the purchased possession.

We ask and offer all in the name of Jesus Christ our Redeemer. *Amen.*



Saturday Evening.



First read a lesson from the Scriptures.

Then say, all kneeling :

ANOTHER week has passed, full of God's mercies and lovingkindness.

O Lord Jesus, how little have we walked as became Thy redeemed ones! How often have we thought and spoken, and acted, as if we belonged only to this present world, and had no hope in Thee!

O that Thy Spirit ruled more in our hearts! O that Thy blessed example fashioned more entirely our daily conduct!

But, Lord, let not our past lives rise up in Thy judgment against us and condemn us. Wash away our sins in Thy most precious Blood, which cleanseth from all sin: clothe our feeble attempts for good in Thy perfect righteousness, in which we stand accepted before the Father.

And now that we are at the end of another period of our time, and on the threshold of a new one, we would remember that our lives are passing away like a shadow. We must soon stand at the end of time, and look into our final state. O that that evening may be to us without terror! O that that morning may be to us the dawn of eternal rest in Thee! And to that end, O Lord, keep us faithful and watchful: ever striving in our weekly duties against the world, the flesh, and the devil: ever fighting under Thy banner as thy soldiers and servants: every week looking on with delight to the coming of Thy day, the assemblies of Thy people, the partaking of Thine ordinances. And so when the world's lifetime shall have passed, may we, with Thy saints, put on Thy perfect likeness in the morning of the Resurrection.

Amen.

Keep us, keep all whom we love, this night in peace and security. Fit us for Thy day, and Thine house, and Thy glory.

Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors, &c.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

Good Friday.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

This is the day, O Lord Jesus, when Thou wast delivered unto death as a sacrifice for us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace: even that peace of pardon and acceptance, which Thou didst suffer to purchase for Thy people.

Amen.

O Thou who didst pray for Thy murderers as

they nailed Thee to the cross, teach us meekness and a forgiving spirit in suffering.

Teach us, O Christ.

O Thou who when on the cross didst promise to the penitent thief that he should that day be with Thee in Paradise, grant us in all our sufferings the spirit of godly fear, that we may at the end of them be with thee.

Hear us, O Lord.

O Thou who when on the cross didst commend Thy blessed mother to the beloved disciple, teach us never amidst pain and suffering to forget the duties of tenderness and lovingkindness.

Help us to remember, O Lord.

O Thou who in the darkness and the agony of death didst cry unto Thy Father, "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?" grant us, in the hiding of God's face, ever more to turn unto Him and plead with Him in prayer.

Grant it, O Lord.

O Thou who when Thy sufferings were ending didst cry, "It is finished," give us grace evermore to rest in Thy finished work, and to regard ourselves as complete in Thee.

Grant this, O Lord.

O Saviour of the world, who by Thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us, save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord. *Amen.*

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

A LITANY.

O God the Father, of Heaven, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O Thou, whose hands for our sakes were pierced with nails, Whatsoever evil we have by our hands committed, whatsoever good we have left unwrought,

Forgive us, good Lord.

O thou, whose feet for our sakes were fastened to the accursed tree, Forgive us the swiftness of our feet to evil, and their slowness on the errands of love and mercy.

Forgive us, good Lord.

O thou, whose side for our sakes was pierced with a spear, Forgive us our wandering desires, our vain imaginations, and all the evil thoughts to which our hearts give birth.

Forgive us, good Lord.

O thou, who didst bear our sins in thine own body on the tree, Forgive us that we have yielded our bodies instruments of unrighteousness unto sin; and grant us grace to present them a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service.

O Christ, hear us.

Give us grace henceforth to mortify the lust of the eyes; to seek out of the book of the Lord and read; and to seek out and have pleasure in thy works also.

O Christ, hear us.

Grant that we may work with our hands the thing that is good, that we may have to give to him that needeth.

O Christ, hear us.

Give us grace to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to set forth with our feet upon the errands of love and mercy.

O Christ, hear us.

Grant that no corrupt communication may proceed out of our mouths; but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace to the hearers.

O Christ, hear us.

Blessed be thou, O Lord our God and Saviour, for the holy and bitter sufferings which thou hast borne for us. O grant that what thou wast content to endure for us and for our salvation, may be effectual for the saving of our souls. O thou, who didst vouchsafe to taste death for the sins of every man, mortify in us our members which are upon the earth, even all things contrary to thy holy will, that we may also be crucified unto the world; and save us, O blessed Jesus, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Amen.



Easter.



MORNING.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of Thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with Him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for His merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O Lord Jesus, who hadst power to lay down Thy life, and power to take it again; who didst go down into the tomb that Thou mightest bring us safe out

of it, and by inhabiting the grave didst rob the grave of its victory:

We thank Thee and praise Thee.

O Lord, who didst suffer Thy natural body to be bruised by the enemy, that Thou mightest bruise his head for ever: who, out of Thine infinite love for us, wert pleased to suffer defeat for a time, that through Thee, who hast loved us, we might be more than conquerors to all eternity:

We thank Thee and praise Thee.

O Lord, when our flesh rests in the darkness of the grave: Thou who hast lain in the sepulchre, Thou who hast sojourned in the world of spirits:

Keep us, and save us.

Almighty God, who through Thine only begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: we humbly beseech Thee, that as by Thy special grace assisting us, Thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

A LITANY.

O God the Father, our Creator: O God the Son, our Redeemer: O God the Holy Ghost, our Sanctifier: Three persons and one God,

Hear us and help us.

O Thou God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hast called us with an high and heavenly calling, and hast begotten us anew unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

We praise and adore Thee.

O blessed Lord, who being in the form of God, and equal with God, didst empty Thyself of Thy glory, and take upon Thee the form of a servant: and being found in fashion as man, didst humble Thyself and become obedient even unto death, and that the death of the Cross,

We praise and adore Thee.

O Spirit of Truth and Love, who at the first didst move upon the face of the waters, bringing light out of darkness, and order out of confusion: and after striving in ancient days with the evil that is in man, didst in the fulness of the time come down and dwell in the hearts of Thy people,

We praise and adore Thee.

O God of Power, God of Love, God of Wisdom,
Our fathers' God,
Our Covenant God,
Our Guide unto Death,

We praise and adore Thee.

May we, building ourselves up on our most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep ourselves in the Love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, unto eternal life.

Amen.

O GOD the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, who didst come down in Thy fulness on Thy Church; be thou with us, we beseech Thee, and abide in our hearts for ever. Convince us of sin, that we may more entirely, and with living faith, look unto Him who is the Fountain opened for sin and uncleanness. Convince us of righteousness, that we may steadfastly contemplate Him who in his unblemished righteousness at the right hand of the Father is the perfect and accepted pattern of our humanity. Convince us of judgment that we be not ignorant of Satan's devices, nor unwise to understand Thy will. Where we are dark, enlighten us: where we are weak, strengthen us: where we are dejected, raise and support us.

Praise to Thee, O God the Father, that Thou hast fulfilled Thy promise, and bestowed upon us Thy unspeakable gift.

Praise to Thee, O God the Son, that, being by the right hand of God exalted, Thou hast shed forth the blessed influence of Thy Spirit in our hearts.

Praise to Thee, O God the Holy Ghost, that Thou, the Spirit of Life, hast freed us by Thy law from the law of sin and death: that though our bodies must die because of sin, yet our spirits dwell in life, because of the righteousness of Him who hath brought life and immortality to light.

Amen.

O MERCIFUL Father, who didst give thine only Son to bear our sins in his own body on the tree; Grant us so to take up our cross and follow him in this world, that in the world to come we may be made partakers of his crown; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

O THOU, who, when thou wast reviled, didst not revile again, when thou sufferedst, didst not threaten, but didst commit thyself to him who judgeth righteously; Give unto us, we beseech thee, the like spirit of meekness and patience: let us never be turned from thy ways through any mockery or cruelty of men; but endure, as seeing him who is invisible, and be faithful unto death, that thou mayest give us the crown of life.

Amen.

O BLESSED Spirit, whose office it is to glorify the Lord Jesus by receiving of the things which are his, and showing them unto us; Set him forth before the eyes of our minds this day as crucified for us, and draw our hearts unto him by the secret power of his passion, so that we may cleave to him in contrition and trust, and may never be separated from his love; for his sake.

Amen.

O MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the

life ; in whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die ; and whosoever liveth and believeth in him shall not die eternally ; We meekly beseech Thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness ; that, when we shall depart this life, we may rest in him ; and that, at the general Resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in thy sight ; and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all that love and fear thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world : Grant this, we beseech Thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer.

Amen.

ALMIGHTY GOD, who didst raise thy Son Jesus from the dead for our justification ; Grant us so to rise with him by the power of the Holy Ghost, that, whether we live, we may live unto the Lord, or whether we die, we may die unto the Lord ; and that finally our mortal bodies may be quickened by his indwelling Spirit, and fashioned like unto his glorious body, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Amen.

O LORD God, we confess that we have often disobeyed thy holy laws. And though we have confessed thee with our tongues, we have not

always honored thee by our actions. We confess, Lord, that we have wasted our time and our talents; That we have not lived answerably to our means of grace; That we have been cold in devotion, soon weary of prayer, dull and heavy in the way to Heaven, but quick and active in the way that pleased ourselves. Accept our confession, O Lord, and make our repentance sincere; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

O BLESSED Jesus, who hast redeemed us unto God, by thy blood, make us, we beseech thee, both in body and soul, meet for thy dwelling-place, and for the habitation of thy Spirit. O Lord, be pleased to cast out of us everything that defileth, all worldly affections, and all covetous desires, that our hearts may be houses of prayer and meditation, of pure intentions, and zealous desires of pleasing thee, whose we are, and whom we serve, and to whom be glory, now and for evermore.

Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give commandment to the holy Apostles that they should go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature; Grant to us, whom thou hast called into thy Church, a ready will to obey thy Word; and fill us with a hearty desire to make thy way known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Look with compassion upon

the heathen that have not known thee, and on the multitudes that are scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. O heavenly Father, Lord of the harvest, have respect, we beseech thee, to our prayers, and send forth laborers into thine harvest. Prepare them by thy grace for the work of their ministry; give them the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind; strengthen them to endure hardness; and grant that both by their life and doctrine, they may set forth thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

O GOD, the comfortable repose of thy servants in hope, and their blissful rest in everlasting possession, we now retiring to rest, confidently resign ourselves, and all that is ours, to thy everwakeful providence; most humbly beseeching thee that we may rise from our beds with hearts thankful, pure, and devoted to thy service; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

O GOD the Father, of Heaven, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

By thy invitations and thy promises ; by thy merits and thy mercies ; by thy servitude and suffering while on earth ; by thy tenderness as man, and thy majesty as God ; by thy Baptism, Fasting and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By Bethlehem, Gethsemane, and Calvary ; by the crown of thorns, and the cruel scourge, and the robe of scorn, and the shame and contumely ; by the nails, and the gall, and the spear ; by thine unknown Agony, and bitter Passion,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thy body broken, and thy blood shed for us ; by the sacramental memorials of thy love unto death ; by thy coming to save, and thy coming to judge ; by thy Burial, and Resurrection, and Ascension, and Intercession ; and by all the graces of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In prosperity and adversity ; in wealth and pover-

ty; in sickness and in health; in comfort and distress; in every time of trouble and of need,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In weakness and temptation; when under provocations and reproaches; in the loss of friends; when love is cold, and faith is faint; in our downfalls and declensions; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

That it may please thee to cleanse us from our sins, and to mortify our corruptions; to illuminate our judgment, and to sanctify our hearts; to put the fear of God before our eyes, and the love of God within our hearts; to endue us with thy Holy Spirit, and to conform us to thine own example;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to instruct us in our duty, and to enable us to perform it; to give us a tender conscience, and an earnest spirit; to uphold us in the slippery ways of the world, and give us integrity of heart; to save us from the enmity of men, from the malice of Satan, and from our own faults and follies; to support us in the hour of death, and receive us in the unseen world, and to enable us to confess thee before men;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

A LITANY.

O THOU Lamb of God, that takest away the
sins of the world,

Take away our sins.

Thou who camest to seek and to save that which
was lost,

Seek and save us.

Thou who art exalted to be a Prince and a Saviour,
to give repentance and forgiveness of sins,

Give us repentance and forgiveness of sins.

Thou, who hast invited the weary and heavy-
laden to come unto thee, that thou mayest give them
rest,

Give us rest.

Thou, who art the true light, which lighteth every
man that cometh into the world,

Give us light.

Thou, who ever livest to make intercession for
thy people,

Intercede for us.

Thou, who canst be touched with a feeling of our
infirmities,

Have compassion upon us.

O Thou, who because thou thyself wast tempted,
art able to succor them that are tempted,

Succor us in our temptations.

Thou, who of God art made unto us wisdom, and
righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption,

Be all this to us.

Thou, who art the resurrection and the life,

Give us life.

Thou, who hast promised, that him that cometh
unto thee thou wilt in no wise cast out,

Cast not us out.

Jesus, whose blood cleanseth from all sin,

Cleanse us from all sin.

From all our sins and offences, and from the punishment due to them,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From hardness of heart, and impenitence; and
from contempt of God's holy Word and Commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all fretfulness and impatience; from vanity
and pride; from self-indulgence and neglect of
others,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fear of man, and forgetfulness of God;
from the snares of Satan, and the corruptions of
our own hearts,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From irreverence and indevotion; from profaning
the mysteries of religion, and the means of grace;
from repining at thy dispensations; neglect of thy
warnings; and thankless receipt, or abuse, of thy
mercies,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From an angry and haughty spirit; from self-confidence and contempt of others; from the love of this present world and inordinate affections; and from neglect of the world unseen,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From terrors of conscience; from the fear of death; from unrepented sin; from our spiritual enemies,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From the hidings of thy face; from unpreparedness for death; from distraction and distrust in our last conflict; from the wrath of God and the damnation of hell.

Good Lord, deliver us.

Receive our humble prayers, we beseech thee, O Father, through thy well beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

A LITANY.

O GOD the Father, Maker of all things,
Have mercy on us

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy on us.

O God the Holy Ghost, the Giver of all grace,
and the Sanctifier of the Church,
Have mercy on us.

O Holy Trinity, Three persons and one God,

Have mercy on us.

Forgive us the sins of our lives past, and remember not the evil thoughts and unlawful desires of our hearts, the idle and wicked words of our lips. The sinful deeds and fruitless actions of our lives;

O Lord, in all these things, have mercy upon us.

Forgive, O Lord, our neglect of Thy mercies, the hardness of our hearts at Thy goodness, and the forgetfulness of Thy chastisements;

O Lord, in all these things, have mercy upon us.

From the evils of this present world: from the unquenchable fire of the world to come: from the evil of sin, and from the false freedom of an undisciplined life,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From pride and covetousness; from envy, gluttony, and sloth; from slander, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from the great guilt of tempting others to sin, and from the unhappiness of being ourselves perverted,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From ignorance of Thy will, and neglect of what we know to be our duty; from denying Thee before men for worldly ends; from the temptations to which by nature we are most exposed, and from going back into any sins of which we have repented,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech Thee to hear us, and pray that Thou wouldest defend and preserve Thy Holy

Church in true religion, and give the blessing of peace and order to all Christian people ;

We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

That Thou wouldest give us the gift of Thy holy love, pardon of all our sins, and grace to persevere unto the end ;

We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

That Thou wouldest enlarge our heart with true charity one towards another, that we may feed the hungry, clothe the naked, comfort the distressed, and on all occasions do good to every one according to our means ;

We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

That Thou wouldest vouchsafe us Thy grace always to remember the end of our creation, and the vanity of the world, the shortness of our lives, and the uncertainty of the time of our death, the misery of such as die in their sins, and the unspeakable happiness of those who die at peace with Thee ;

We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

O Father, in the Name of Thy Son ;

We beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God : Who takest away the sins of the world ;

Grant us Thy peace.

O Lamb of God : Who takest away the sins of the world ;

Have mercy upon us.

Amen.

Sunday Morning.

OUR heavenly Father, we thank thee for all thy goodness to us, especially for the many and great mercies of the Lord's day. Bless to us the privilege of prayer, the reading and preaching of thy Word, and all the ordinances of thy house. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of our mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days. Cause us to feel our sinfulness and our need of a Saviour. Teach us to love Christ with all our hearts; and, as there is none other name under heaven given to men in whom and through whom we may receive health and salvation, give us faith to believe on him to the saving of our souls.

Look, O Lord! in mercy on the world around us. Have compassion upon those who are sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death; cause the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world; make thy ways known upon earth, thy saving health unto all nations. Bless thy servants who are gone forth into distant lands to proclaim the message

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of salvation. Endue them with thy Holy Spirit; enrich them with thy heavenly grace; prosper them in all their labors; and give them souls as their reward. And, O thou Lord of the harvest! we pray thee to send forth more laborers into the harvest. Enable them both to sow the seed and to reap the fruit of their labors.

Make sure to this household the mercies of that covenant of faith whereof we are made partakers through Christ, thy well-beloved Son, the seed of Abraham.

And now, O heavenly Father! as thou hast promised to hear the prayers of those who ask in thy Son's name, fulfil the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be most expedient for us: granting us, in this world, knowledge of thy truth; and in the world to come, life everlasting

Amen.

Sunday Evening.

O LORD, our heavenly Father! we humbly beseech thee to accept this our evening sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; mercifully granting unto us, by the merits and death of thy son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, the remission of our sins, and all the blessings of eternal life.

Grant that the words which we have this day heard with our outward ears may through thy grace

be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us fruit to the honor and glory of thy name. May we ever prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God ! and may thy goodness to us as a family draw us to thee in the communion of thy saints !

Bless the education of the young, the instruction of the ignorant, the visitation of the sick, the distribution of thy Word, and all the means employed to bring men to Christ.

Father of mercies, and God of all comfort, who dost comfort thy children in all their tribulation, we commend to the love and grace of thy Spirit all who are in any way afflicted, praying that thou wouldst succor, sustain, and sanctify them, and prepare them for the issue of their trials, whether it be life or death. Pitifully behold the widow and the orphan, the poor, the destitute, and the forsaken, the captive, the prisoner, and him who is doomed to die ; and inspire them with confidence in thy fatherly love, and help them to trust in thy mercy. We commend to thy special favor all who are dear to us by the ties of nature and affection, that it may please thee to adopt them into thy redeemed family, enrich them with thy heavenly blessing, and at last receive them into the presence of thy glory.

Ô God ! thou knowest our frame, and rememberest that we are dust : look upon us in our weakness and necessity, and supply our need according to the riches of thy glory. Grant that we may

retire to rest pardoned and accepted in thy Beloved. Watch over us during the night : and may we rise in the morning full of life and joy ! and, passing all our days here in thy fear, may we finally come to thine everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ ! Amen.



Monday Morning.



THOU art the King of glory, O Christ ! Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray thee help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood : make them to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting.

We bless thee, O Lord ! for the peace and comfort given us in Christ concerning those dear to us whom thou hast taken unto thyself : may we, by thy grace, walk in their steps in all things wherein they followed thee, and so live unto thee, day by day, that we shall be ready at all times for thy coming !

Merciful Saviour, we give thee thanks that thou didst enter into all the circumstances of our earthly

condition, and didst sanctify all the relationships of life. Thou didst take little children in thine arms, and bless them; thou didst hallow marriage by thy first miracle of power and grace; thou didst bless the home of Martha and Mary; thou didst provide for thy mother a home of love. Oh! bless this home, we pray thee,—parents, children, brothers, sisters, all kindred and friends. Give to every one of us the spirit of our blessed Lord.

O thou who hast brought us again from sleep to behold the light of a new day! help us so to confide in thee, to keep thee ever so near and so precious to our thought, that we shall live above the fear of death, and look forward with joy to our final rest with thee. As children of the light, may we shun all evil, and show forth thy praise! Fill us this day with the peace of Christ and the hope of immortality; fill thy Church with the faith and the power of his resurrection. May this household, and all dear to us, be joined to the family of the saints on earth, and finally to the company of the redeemed in heaven, through Him who died for us!—to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

Monday Evening.

WHOM have we in heaven but thee, O God! and there is none upon earth that we desire besides thee. Father of mercies, we render humble

and hearty thanks for thy goodness vouchsafed to us this day, Thou hast watched over us with more than a father's care, and hast blessed us with more than a father's love. We have received the cup of blessing at thy hand. Thou hast supplied our need, nourished and sustained our bodies, preserved the powers of our minds, guarded and directed our steps, and blessed us with means of grace. - And now, at the close of the day, we meet to offer our evening sacrifice of praise. May the fire of heaven descend upon our hearts, purifying, quickening, transforming our whole nature, and so fitting us all for thy holy will!

Pardon, O God! the sins of the day; and oh! lift us to higher light and life and joy.

We bless thee for the silence and quiet of night; for hours of rest by which we are strengthened and refreshed for the duties of each returning day. As a family, we commend ourselves to thy care and keeping. Bless thou us, O God! and we shall be blessed. Ever make thy face to shine upon us. Lift up the light of thy countenance upon those whom we love, and upon thy whole Church. Prosper thy Word preached and taught. Bless all mankind. Pitifully look upon the poor, the tried, the tempted, the forsaken, the oppressed, and all the children of sorrow: and have mercy upon all prisoners and captives.

And now, O our Father! grant that we, being made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily

be renewed by thy Holy Spirit, and at last rise to the life immortal, through Jesus Christ our only Saviour; to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost be glory and thanksgiving throughout all ages. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

OUR Father in heaven, we come to thee with wants which thou knowest far better than we, and for blessings which thou art more ready to give than we to ask. But thou hast bidden us to pray; and we love to come, saying, Our Father. Oh, may we have the spirit of little children, and show our love and gratitude in lives of devotion! Thou hast kept us in the watches of the night from every trouble, sorrow, and alarm; and now we bless thee for the day, for life and health, for food and raiment, for home and friends, for means of education and of enjoyment, for means of occupation and of support, for means of improvement in the knowledge of thyself, and for opportunities of doing good to others. Oh! grant us grace that we may use to thy glory the lives which thou didst give, and which thy mercy doth continually spare.

We acknowledge, O Lord! our unworthiness and our sinfulness, and beseech thee to pardon our transgressions, and heal our infirmities. Help us

this day to live aright. In the business of life may we be diligent, faithful and true ! and do thou, Lord, prosper the labor of our hands. In our intercourse with others, may we manifest the gentleness, the sincerity, the charity, of the gospel of Christ ! May we be patient under trials, meek under injuries, firm against temptation, bold for the truth, zealous for thy cause ! May we be kind to the poor, helpful to the suffering, gentle toward all men ! [Give unto these children, O Lord ! grace to serve thee in the morning of life, and in their thoughts and words, their studies and their play, always to please their Father in heaven.] Remember with thy mercy all our friends. Build up, O Lord ! thy Church ; prosper thy kingdom in our land, and throughout the world. Ever guide, keep, and bless us. May we live as pilgrims in the world, seeking that better country which is the home of thy saints ! Bring us to the close of the day in peace, and to the close of life in a hope full of immortality, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose providence both the day and night are governed, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, as thou hast this

day preserved us by thy goodness, so still this night to shelter us beneath the shadow of thy wings, that the powers of darkness may not hurt us; that we may be preserved from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh! we humbly beseech thee to accept our intercessions in behalf of all men. We pray for thy universal Church, that it may be guided by thy Holy Spirit in the way of truth and peace; and that thy people everywhere may shine like lights in the world, and adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.

We commend, O Lord! to thy fatherly goodness, our relations, friends, and neighbors, and all who desire or ought to be especially remembered in our prayers. Succor the poor and needy; bind up the broken-hearted; have mercy on the sick and dying; and help us by thy grace to prepare ourselves daily for the hour of death. Look down, O Lord! we beseech thee, on this dwelling, and drive far from it all manner of evil. Let thy holy presence dwell within us to preserve us in peace, and let thy blessing be upon us for ever, through Christ our Lord. The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with us this night and evermore. Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

ALMIGHTY God, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done ; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord ! have mercy upon us miserable offenders, and for Christ's sake, grant us grace to shun every evil way, and to live in all things unto the glory of thy holy name.

What shall we render unto thee, O thou Preserver of men ! for thy goodness to this family ; for the comforts of our home ; for our means of education and enjoyment ; for health and prosperity, and all the favors wherewith thou dost enrich our lives ? Oh, may we ever make to thee the glad return of grateful and loving hearts, and, as stewards of thy bounty, distribute freely to others the good we have freely received ! We beseech thee, O Lord ! have mercy upon our land : preserve us from faction, violence, and misrule ; from luxury and impiety ; from neglect of thy Word and thy day. Give peace, O Lord ! in our time ; keep our rulers in thy fear, and save the nation from its sins. We commend unto thy mercy all who are in poverty or distress, in sickness or trouble ; we pray for all who are in

ignorance, error, or sin, that thou wouldst graciously enlighten and save them. Purify and exalt thy Church, and make all thy people perfect to do thy will. Perfect thy will in us, O Lord! and sanctify and save us for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Wednesday Evening.

MERCIFUL Father, we draw nigh to thy throne of grace through Jesus, our great High Priest. For his sake may we obtain mercy, and find grace to help according to our need!

O Thou who art the Way! we beseech thee to lead us; O Thou who art the Truth! we beseech thee to teach us: O Thou who art the Life! we beseech thee to preserve us unto the life everlasting. We thank thee, O God! that in Christ we may know thee as our Father, reconciling us unto thyself.

Transform us from day to day, and from week to week, more into the image of thy Son, that we may at last be presented faultless before the presence of thy glory with exceeding joy.

Extend thy cause and kingdom everywhere. May the glorious gospel of the grace of God speedily triumph over all the pride and wisdom and will-worship and delusion of man! Arise, O God! and plead thine own cause.

Bless this family. O thou who didst bring from the dead the Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant! do thou make us all perfect to do thy will, working in us that which is well-pleasing in thy sight.

May our friends who are at a distance from us be protected and guarded by thy gracious providence! The Lord watch between them and us when we are absent from one another! May their names also be written in the Lamb's book of life! Teach us how to walk as pilgrims and strangers on the earth,—sojourners, as all our fathers were,—looking for that blessed hope, even the glorious appearing of the great God our Saviour. Oh! bring us at last to our Father's house in everlasting peace.

As the curtains of the night are now drawing around us, be pleased to grant us thy guardian care. Lying down in thy fear, may we awake in thy favor, fitted for all the calls and duties of a new day! And all this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Saviour. Amen.

Thursday Morning.

WE would come to thee this morning, heavenly Father, with hearts full of thankfulness for the mercies of the night. We have rested in safety and in peace under the shadow of thy wing. Thou

hast kept us quiet from the fear of evil: nor sickness, nor death, nor tempest, nor fire, nor any calamity, hath overtaken us or our dwelling. How sure are the mercies of thy covenant, O Lord! All thy promises in Christ Jesus are Yea and Amen. Fulfil unto us, we beseech thee, these thy mercies and promises, and cause that this day we may rejoice in thy salvation.

Bless to us thy Word which we have now read. Oh! sanctify us by thy truth; and, while we receive its instruction and comfort in our hearts, may we carry out its precepts in our lives, and adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things! May we be just and true, loving and kind, gentle, forbearing, and forgiving, and so shine as lights in the world, holding forth the word of life! May every day witness some new victory over evil desires and passions within us and over the evil that is in the world! By feeding upon thy Word, the bread of heaven, may we grow up into Him who is our Life and Head, even Christ.

[Oh! may these children grow in grace as they grow in years and in knowledge! May they shun evil companions and evil ways, and walk in the way of thy commandments!] Keep all dear to us even as the apple of thine eye. Bless our neighbors, and send thy Spirit upon this whole community. Bless our rulers and the schools and churches in our land. May all who rule, and all who teach, be led and taught by thee! Raise up, O Lord! we entreat

thee, a multitude of faithful preachers of thy Word, and missionaries of thy gospel. Clothe them with thy salvation; and open the way before them in every land, and unto every heart. Have pity upon the poor and the sorrowing; upon homes made desolate by famine, pestilence, or war. Stay thy judgments, O Lord! and send peace and salvation to all people. Mercifully forgive our sins, and bring us unto the perfection of knowledge, of holiness, and of blessedness, in Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

Thursday Evening.

O LORD! how can we stand if thou shouldst mark our iniquities? But blessed be thy name that thou hast reconciled us to thyself by thy beloved Son, and wilt not impute our trespasses unto us. For his merits, and in his name, cast us not out of thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Thou hast taught us to pray that thy kingdom may come. Hear us while we plead with thee for the spread of thy gospel throughout the world. O Lord! look in mercy on thine own flock who have entered into covenant with thee. Oh! heal their divisions, enlighten their dark places, strengthen their feeble and scattered efforts. Look upon vast

tracts of Christendom yet bound in ignorance and superstition. Look upon those, who having thy commandments, yet worship other gods besides thee ; and do thou look in mercy on the darkness of heathendom, and on them that sit in the shadow of death cause thy light to shine. More especially do we entreat thee for thine ancient Israel, whom thou hast for so many ages preserved a separate people, witnessing among all nations to the truth of thy Word. We thank thee that in these latter days they are so far exempt from the violence and persecutions of other times ; and pray that through their experience, both of the goodness and the severity of God, they may be brought to a saving knowledge of thy grace in Christ.

Almighty God, the Governor and Disposer of the world, grant that, in the history of its kingdoms and peoples, we may ever see thee preparing the way of thy Christ, and putting all things under his feet ; and grant that we, looking for the kingdoms of this world to become the kingdom of the Lord and of his Christ, may be found faithful at his appearing, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

O Lord our Preserver ! we humbly thank thee for thy merciful protection during the past day ; and we commit ourselves and all dear to us unto thy gracious keeping this night, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Friday Morning.

OUR Father in heaven, we come to thee with wants which thou knowest far better than we, and for blessings which thou art more ready to give than we to ask. But thou hast bidden us to pray; and we love to come, saying, Our Father. Oh, may we have the spirit of little children; and show our love and gratitude in lives of devotion! Thou hast kept us in the watches of the night from every trouble, sorrow, and alarm; and now we bless thee for the day, for life and health, for food and raiment, for home and friends, for means of education and of enjoyment, for means of occupation and of support, for means of improvement in the knowledge of thyself from thy works and thy Word, and for opportunities of doing good to others. Oh! grant us grace that we may use to thy glory the lives which thou didst give, and which thy mercy doth continually spare.

We acknowledge, O Lord! our unworthiness and our sinfulness, and beseech thee to pardon our transgressions and heal our infirmities. Help us this day to live aright. In the business of life may we be diligent, faithful, and true! and do thou, Lord, prosper the labor of our hands. In our intercourse with others, may we manifest the gentleness, the sincerity, the charity, of the gospel of Christ! May we be patient under trials, meek under injuries, firm

against temptation, bold for the truth, zealous for thy cause ! May we be kind to the poor, helpful to the suffering, gentle toward all men ! [Give unto these children, O Lord ! grace to serve thee in the morning of life, and in their thoughts and words, their studies and their play, always to please their Father in heaven.] Remember with thy mercy all our friends ; visit with thy grace the homes of all who are dear to us. Build up, O Lord ! thy Church ; prosper thy kingdom in our land, and throughout the world. Ever guide, keep, and bless us. Bring us to the close of the day in peace, and to the close of life in a hope full of immortality, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Friday Evening.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art ever ready to hearken to the cry of the humble, and hast promised to refuse none who come to thee in the name of thy dear Son, look upon us in mercy for his sake, and grant our requests. We thank thee that we have a throne of grace to come to ; that thine ear is ever open to the prayers of thy children ; and that the arms of thy mercy are stretched out towards us. Lord, we come to thee as to a father ; give us, we pray thee, a father's bless-

ing. Thou knowest how we have all wandered from thee.

Our sins are great ; but great also is thy forbearance. Oh, may thy goodness lead us to repentance ! May the love of Christ be shed abroad in our hearts, and constrain us to live no longer to ourselves, but to thee. Thou hast brought us safely through the night : blessed be thy name for preserving us from dangers both seen and unseen, for spreading our table with plenty, and for all the kindness we receive from those around us.

But, O Lord ! we praise thee especially for those gifts which concern the welfare of our souls,—for thy holy Word, for thy ministers, for thy house of prayer, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

Have mercy on those who are deprived of the blessings we enjoy. Visit with thy compassion the houseless, the fatherless, and the afflicted. Dry up the tears of all that mourn. Pity the ignorant, and those that are out of the way. Thou Saviour of the lost, bring home the wanderers to thy fold. Bless those who are gone forth to proclaim thy truth in distant lands : cheer and encourage their hearts ; strengthen their faith ; give them boldness and wisdom and love ; preserve them from every peril ; and crown their labors with success.

And grant, blessed Lord, that we who have the light may walk in the light. Oh ! enable us to shine brightly for thee in the midst of a dark world.

May we not only own thee with our lips, but may we follow thee with all our hearts! And do thou make us now and ever thine, through Him who died, and rose again, and ever liveth to make intercession for us. Amen.

Saturday Morning.

O ALMIGHTY God, who art the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and who art also the gracious Father of thy people! we beseech thee to hear our praises and our supplications. We are not worthy to approach thee, or to take thy name upon our lips. We are not worthy to be called thy children; for we have offended thee in thought, word, and deed. Pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life. As we shall go forth into the world this day, oh! give us grace that we may put off the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light. Grant that we may both perceive and know what things we ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same. May our life be a daily preparation for heaven! May we live now by faith, and have hereafter the fruition of thy glorious Godhead! And since thou hast exalted thy Son Jesus Christ into thy kingdom in heaven, so may we in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell.

Whilst we are in the world, O Lord! do thou keep us from the evil. Let nothing turn us from the narrow path that leads to heaven. Grant that we may be ever ready when thou shalt call us hence; so that, amidst all our occupations and engagements, our minds may be kept in perfect peace, being stayed upon thee. O Lord! be thou our portion now, and prepare us for thy presence hereafter.

We bless thee that thou hast provided for us a merciful and faithful High Priest: to him would we consecrate our persons and possessions, praying that we may receive his benediction of peace. And may that peace be given to all who are in any tribulation! Have mercy upon any who are made desolate by war. Be with all who are travelling by land or by sea, with all sick persons, especially with any who are suffering in our own parish. Draw near to them in the hour of trouble, and give them a happy issue out of all their afflictions.

Bless each one of us who are now kneeling before thee; be with all our dear kindred and friends; and grant an answer of peace to these our prayers, which we offer up in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.



Saturday Evening.



O THOU that dwellest in the heavens! holy and reverend is thy name. Unto thee would we

lift up our souls. As the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress, so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God. To whom can we go but unto thee? Thou hast the words of eternal life. We praise and bless thy name for all thy mercy to us this day; for the bounties of thy providence, and for the riches of thy grace; for the supply of our bodily wants, and for the spiritual food which nourishes and refreshes our souls. We thank thee for the Holy Scriptures, for the preaching of the gospel, for the privilege of prayer, for all the ordinances and means of grace. Follow these with thy blessing. Lord, pardon what thy pure eyes have seen amiss in us, and accept us in the Beloved.

We commend ourselves to thy care and keeping for the night. Watch over us in the hours of darkness and helplessness. If it be thy will, may we have refreshing sleep, and rise renewed for the duties and employments of another day! Sleeping or waking, may we be ever with thee! Be with all in whom we are specially interested, and to whom we are bound by the ties of nature or of grace. Lord, bestow on them the blessings which we have asked for ourselves. And draw nigh to all who are in distress. Be a very present help in trouble. Send the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, to all the suffering and the dying. Sanctify to them their affliction, and give them deliverance in thine own time and way. To live may it be Christ, and to die may it

be gain. Our prayers are before thee: grant us an answer in peace. Do to us and for us exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think; and unto thee be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Sunday Morning.

Now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that are fallen asleep; for as by man is death, by man also is the resurrection from the dead.—I. COR. xv.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us;

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.—Ps. lxxvii.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we bless thy name that thou didst raise up thy Son from the dead; that the darkness of death might be dispelled, and life and immortality be brought to light; whereby we are born again to a new and lively hope. In the spirit of adoption we would draw near unto thee, crying, Abba, Father. Show us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation.

Amen.

O God, who art a Spirit, and needest not our service, for all things in heaven and earth are thine, may we, and all our brethren throughout the world, draw nigh to thy throne of grace this day, and worship thee in spirit and truth, lifting up holy hands without wrath and doubting. And though we be miserable sinners, who have offended against thy holy laws, in thought, word, and deed, be pleased to pardon all our transgressions, to accept us, and grant us our petitions, through our great High Priest, who appears in thy presence for us, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, Creator of all things, who didst rest from all thy works on the seventh day, grant unto us, in the time of this mortal life, the rest and sabbath of the soul, in obeying and following him whose yoke is easy and his burden light; that afterwards, when the works of sin and the labors of vanity are ended, and this transitory

world is passed away, we may be made partakers of thy glorious promises, and enjoy for ever thy heavenly rest, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Being risen with Christ, may we set our affection on things above, and have our conversation in heaven, from whence we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. Quicken us by the power of thy Spirit, that we may live unto thee in faith, hope, charity, and all holy obedience, to the glory of thy name.

Amen.

Father of mercies, who daily loadest us with benefits, we render humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and mercy to us, and to all men ; for our creation and preservation, and all the bounties of thy good providence ; but especially for the gift of thy Son, and all things pertaining to life and godliness which thou hast given us in him.

Pardon, good Lord, our great ingratitude in times past, our sloth, negligence, and unfaithfulness ; and grant us thy grace, that henceforth we may diligently occupy the talents thou hast committed to us, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

Amen.

Pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh, we pray thee, O Lord ; and let thy Word have free course and be glorified, that sinners may be converted unto thee, and all men may fear thy glorious name.

Amen.

Bless all the nations of the world with righteous

government, with liberty, and peace. We commend unto thee especially our native country. Prosper it in all good things, and defend it from all dangers, both from without and from within. Grant thy blessing to all Rulers and Magistrates: and may the whole body of the people live quiet and peaceable lives, in godliness and honesty, adorning the doctrine of God our Saviour.

Amen.

We pray for our kindred and friends: may they enjoy the protection of thy providence, and be enriched with thy grace. We ask all for Christ's sake.

Amen.

Sunday Evening.

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

Set your affections on things above, not on things upon the earth; for ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.—Col. ii

I WILL praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will show forth all thy marvellous works.

I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.

When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

*For thou hast maintained my right and my cause ;
thou sittest in the throne judging right.*

The Lord shall endure for ever : he hath prepared his throne for judgment.

*And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he
shall minister judgment to the people in uprightness.*

The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.

And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee ; for thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.

O LORD our heavenly Father, we offer up our thanksgivings before thy divine majesty, for all the goodness and mercy which thou makest to pass before us from day to day, for the common bounties of thy providence, for the supply of our daily wants, for life and health, and the things needful for the body, for our civil privileges, social advantages, and domestic comforts.

Especially do we magnify thy name for sending thy Son Jesus Christ into the world, to redeem us by his death upon the Cross, and to give us the blessed hope of an incorruptible life ; for the gospel of our salvation ; for the means of grace, and the promise of the Spirit, to teach, sanctify and comfort us,—even to the end of the world.

Forgive, O Lord, the sins of our holy things, and all our iniquities ; and notwithstanding our great unworthiness, do thou command thy blessing upon us, and quicken us by thy grace ; that we be no

longer children in understanding, but may abound in knowledge, faith, charity, patience, and every good work, to thy honor and glory.

Amen.

Let not the word which we have heard this day remain without fruit in our hearts and lives: may we constantly remember thy commands to do them. Having named the name of Christ, may we depart from all iniquity; and being children of light, may we cleanse ourselves from all filthiness, both of the flesh and of the spirit, that we may perfect holiness in thy fear.

Amen.

O God, who searchest the hearts of the children of men, and wilt judge us according to the deeds done in the body, grant us a spirit of diligence and godly fear, that watching and being sober, as men that wait for their Lord, we may be found of Christ in peace at his coming.

Amen.

Grant thy heavenly grace to all ministers of the Gospel; that being themselves illuminated by thy Spirit, they may guide others in the ways of truth and righteousness. And let all thy servants be of one heart and one mind, and keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life.

Amen.

O Lord, we commend unto thee, the afflicted, the sorrowful, the sick and the dying; the poor, the

friendless, the despairing, and all who are exposed to danger or temptation.

Amen.

O God our Saviour, merciful Father, send unto them relief, consolation, strength, deliverance; through thy Son our Redeemer, Jesus Christ; and in all time of our tribulation and fear, in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment, do thou, O Lord, deliver us.

Amen.

Keep us in soul and body from danger and from sin this night, and all the time of our sojourning upon the earth. Raise us up again in health and peace, if it be thy will, that we may serve thee, and see thy goodness in the land of the living. And, in due time, may we sleep in Jesus, and awake to glory, honor, and immortality: through him who died for us, and rose again.

Amen.



Monday Morning.



Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. So let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.—MATT. v.

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me?
Many are they that rise up against me.

Many there be which say of my soul, There is no help for him in God.

But thou, O Lord, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head.

I cried unto the Lord with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill.

I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the Lord sustained me.

I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about.

Arise, O Lord; save me, O my God; for thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

Salvation belongeth unto the Lord: thy blessing is upon thy people.—Ps. iii.

THOU, O God, who slumberest not nor sleepest, hast, of thy great goodness, raised us up again to the mercies, the duties, and the temptations of another day. We laid us down, we slept, we awaked, for the Lord sustained us.

Fill our hearts with gratitude: and teach us this day, O Lord, to set thee before us, and to obey and serve thee in all things.

Amen.

We are not our own, being bought with a price; therefore would we glorify thee with our bodies and our spirits which are thine.

Amen.

O God, our merciful Father, forgive all our past sins, we entreat thee: let the remembrance of them destroy in us all pride and self-confidence, and every high thought. May we be sober, temperate, and watchful. Suffer us not to be tempted, or deliver us by thy grace.

Amen.

We pray that as we make profession of Christ's religion, so we may adorn his doctrine by living in all things conformably thereto; in godliness, righteousness, and purity, that others seeing our good works may glorify thee, and that we may have in ourselves the witness that we are children of God, and heirs of thy promises.

Amen.

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Fill us at all times with a holy reverence of thee, with fear of offending thee, and grieving thy Spirit. Set a watch, O Lord, before our mouth: keep the door of our lips that we speak not unadvisedly with our tongue, or offend against piety, charity, or truth. Teach us to act justly, purely, and mercifully towards all men, as in thy sight, who art our common Father, Lord, and Judge: and cleanse our

hearts from all unholy passions and inordinate desires, that we may be holy both in body and spirit; and our hearts not condemning us, we may have confidence toward thee.

Amen.

Bless this family. Dwell in our hearts; and may thy grace so direct and govern both our souls and bodies, that every one of us may faithfully perform the work thou hast given us to do in this world; that we may be found at the last good and faithful servants, and may all of us enter into the joy of our Lord.

Amen.

O Lord, command thy blessing on all men. Send forth thy light and thy truth that they may be saved. Deliver the oppressed. Comfort the sorrowful. Heal the sick. Bless our friends and benefactors. Forgive, and enable us to forgive our enemies. Our sins, which are many and great, do thou pardon, of thine infinite mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who hath taught us thus to pray—

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Monday Evening.

But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do; for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your

Father knoweth what things ye have need of before ye ask him.—MATT. vi.

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.

The Lord hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the Lord will hear when I call unto him.

Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still.

Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the Lord.

There be many that say, Who will show us any good? Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.

Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased.

I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.—Ps. iv.

WE come before thee, O Lord, to acknowledge the mercies of the past day, and all thy goodness and mercy. Thou hast supplied all our wants, hast defended us from danger and from death, hast crowned us with lovingkindness and tender mercy. Therefore our lips will praise thee, and our souls which thou hast redeemed.

We confess our sins before thee, O God. We have come short in the duty we owe to thee, to our fellow-men, and to ourselves. We do not justify ourselves in thy presence; but we ask, in Christ's

name, that remission of sins which thou hast promised to them that are penitent.

Amen.

We humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy name, turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles, we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honor and glory, through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

By thy grace working in us, may we daily perform better the part thou hast assigned us in this world; growing and increasing continually in faith and patience, in love to God, and charity to men, in contentment, in resignation and submission to thy will, in meekness, gentleness, and all holy dispositions and Christian graces: that, when our last day upon the earth shall come, we may be found perfect and complete in all the will of God.

Amen.

In all the work of our hands, may we work thy work; and in all our labors for the meat that perisheth, may we labor for that meat which endureth to eternal life; and so use this world as not abusing it, for the fashion of this world passeth away.

Amen.

Send down, O Lord, upon thy whole church the

healthful spirit of thy grace ; and grant, we beseech thee, to thy faithful people pardon and peace ; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and may serve thee with a quiet mind—hoping for thy kingdom and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Look in thy tender mercy upon all men. Grant unto them the knowledge of thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.

Amen.

Have compassion upon the sick and the dying, the poor, the desolate, the oppressed, and all the afflicted and sorrowful. Inspire them with faith and hope ; and draw thou near unto them, O thou living God, to uphold, comfort, and save them.

Amen.

We commit ourselves to thy gracious keeping, and all the members of this family, and all who are dear to us. Watch over us all, O thou that keepest Israel, and seest all things, thyself unseen ; who knowest all, thyself inscrutable, and whose mercy and grace are boundless and everlasting. Let thy Providence be our guard ; thy glory our end ; thy love our portion, now and for ever : and may the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds, through Christ Jesus.

Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Tuesday Morning.

I exhort that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.—1 TIM. ii.

GIVE ear to my words, O Lord; consider my meditation.

Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.

My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness; neither shall evil dwell with thee.

The foolish shall not stand in thy sight; thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.

For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favor wilt thou compass him as with a shield.—Ps. v.

UNTO thee, O Lord, do we lift up our souls: for thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive,

and plenteous in mercy to all them that call upon thee.

Hear our prayer, O Lord; give ear to our supplications; in thy faithfulness answer us, and in thy righteousness. And enter not into judgment with thy servants, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

Amen.

O Lord, thou hast brought up our souls from the grave; thou hast kept us alive that we should not go down to the pit. Thou only makest us to dwell in safety. Unto God the Lord belong the issues from death.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Remember in thy mercy and favor, all our kindred, friends, and benefactors. Keep them by thy mighty power from all evil; sanctify them by thy grace; prosper them in all good things, and preserve them to thy heavenly kingdom.

Amen.

We pray for all men. Send thy gospel unto the ends of the earth, and let all flesh see thy salvation.

Amen.

Build up thy church everywhere. Let all nations enjoy the blessings of just and good government, and live in peace and prosperity.

Regard with thy mercy, O God, the sick, the sorrowful, the dying, and all the miserable : God our Saviour, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, send them help, comfort, and deliverance : and in all time of our trouble and adversity ; in our sickness, sorrow, and fear ; in the hour of death, and at the day of judgment, have mercy upon us.

Amen.

Be gracious to our country. May the President and all who are in authority enjoy thy favor and protection at all times. Grant a spirit of wisdom, and of the fear of the Lord to all classes and conditions of men among us ; that every one of us, in his vocation and ministry, may truly serve and glorify thee, the great Lord and master, whose are all things in heaven and earth, and who giveth unto every one as seemeth meet unto thy godly wisdom.

Amen.

These our supplications we present before thee, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord ; praying thee to accept us in him, and to pardon all our sins and iniquities ; and grant us thy good spirit to quicken, sanctify, and perfect us, unto the coming and kingdom of our Lord.

Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.—I. JOHN i.

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O Lord? for ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

Consider and hear me, O Lord my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death;

Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; and those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved.

But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.

I will sing unto the Lord, because he hath dealt bountifully with me.—Ps. xiii.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we again draw nigh to thy throne of grace, in the name of our great High Priest and Advocate Jesus Christ, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help us in time of need.

We unite in rendering praise and glory to thy name, O Lord, for all the tokens of thy goodness which we have received this day, and all the days of our pilgrimage upon the earth. The Lord hath been mindful of us: thy goodness hath prevented

us every morning and every night. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night teacheth us knowledge concerning thee.

We have been unthankful and evil. We have transgressed thy holy laws in thought, word, and deed; misimproving our talents, neglecting the opportunities thou hast afforded us. We have been careless and unfaithful stewards of the manifold grace of God, notwithstanding the solemn truth that every one of us shall give account of himself unto thee.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord: Blot out all our offences; and for thy name's sake take away all our sin. We humble ourselves before thee, O thou that pardonest iniquity, and justifiest the ungodly who believe in Jesus.

Amen.

Through thy grace may we henceforth be sober and vigilant, faithfully doing thy work, and watching unto prayer; that at what hour soever our Lord may come, we may be found of him in peace.

Amen.

O God, let not the multitude of the good things thou hast given us tempt us to forget thee the giver, or the trust we have received, and the account we shall render unto thee. Let not our hearts be overcharged with cares, indulgences, and pleasures of this life, so that the day of the Lord should overtake us as a thief. May our souls be so purified, elevated, and strengthened, and our lives so ordered,

that at all times we may be prepared both to die and to live, both to perform and to endure thy holy will.

Amen.

As thou hast called us into the marvellous light of thy kingdom, may we not walk in darkness: Redeem us from ignorance, error, and unbelief, from evil passions, and unrighteous actions, and from all the power of sin, both in our souls and bodies; that we may experience the glorious liberty of the sons of God, and may serve thee in peace, in assured hope, and in that perfect love, which casteth out fear.

Amen.

O Almighty Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To thee we commit ourselves, and all that are dear to us; entreating thee to keep us from all evil, and to preserve us in soul and body to thine eternal kingdom: through Christ Jesus.

Amen.

Wednesday Morning.

Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be com-

forted. Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled.—MATT. v.

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord; for I am weak: O Lord, heal me; for my bones are vexed.

My soul is also sore vexed; but thou, O Lord, how long?

Return, O Lord, deliver my soul: Oh save me for thy mercies' sake.

Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping.

The Lord hath heard my supplication; the Lord will receive my prayer.—Ps. vi.

O LORD GOD, our Creator and Preserver, who dost daily redeem our life from destruction, and crown us with thy mercies, we worship thee, the Father everlasting. Through him who died for us and rose again, we present the sacrifices of praise and prayer before the throne of thy heavenly grace.

Be merciful unto us, O God, for we cry unto thee daily; rejoice the hearts of thy servants, for unto thee do we lift up our souls. For thou, Lord, art good and ready to forgive, and plenteous in mercy to all them that call upon thee.

Amen.

We acknowledge with gratitude thy watchful providence, thine overflowing goodness, thine abound-

ing mercy, thine unwearied patience. Thy visitation preserves our spirits: in thee, O God, we live and move, and have our being.

O Lord, be merciful to our unrighteousness: our sins and our iniquities do thou remember no more: and grant us thy grace that henceforth being made free from sin, we may serve and glorify thee, with our bodies and our spirits which are thine.

Amen.

Be with us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most precious favor, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Regard with thy favor, we pray thee, all the members of this family, all our relatives and friends, and all our brethren in Christ. Bless and prosper them in the affairs of this life: especially may their souls prosper and be in health.

Amen.

Be merciful unto all men. Let thy kingdom come in all lands, which is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Amen.

Be gracious to thy servant, the President of the United States, and to all who are in authority. May they rule in thy fear, as the ministers of God to us for good: and let truth and righteousness, religion

and piety, contentment, peace, and prosperity, prevail among us to all generations.

Amen.

Build up thy church in all places ; and let many be added to it daily, of such as are in the way of salvation.

Amen.

O God our Saviour, be thou unto us, and to all thy creatures, a present help in all time of our danger, affliction, and distress. Let our cry enter into thine ears, and stretch forth thy hand to save us.

Amen.

Let thy grace govern our hearts and lives this day, that we may be holy in all manner of conversation : deliver us from the sin that doth more easily beset us ; that, growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, we may at length be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Amen.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking ; we beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities ; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Wednesday Evening.

If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous : And he is the propitiation for our sins ; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.—I JOHN ii.

PRESERVE me, O God ; for in thee do I put my trust.

The Lord is the portion of my inheritance and of my cup ; thou maintainest my lot.

The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places ; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

I will bless the Lord, who hath given me counsel ; my reins also instruct me in the night-seasons.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth ; my flesh also shall rest in hope :

For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell ; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

Thou wilt show me the path of life ; in thy presence is fulness of joy ; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.—Ps. xvi.

O GOD, our heavenly Father, who hast commanded all men everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without wrath and doubting, grant unto us, we beseech thee, a spirit of faith, holiness, and love, that our worship and service may be acceptable to thee, and profitable to us, through him who is our Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

We humble ourselves in the dust before thee, O Lord, confessing our offences against thy holy majesty. We acknowledge our manifold sins. We have not loved thee with all our heart, or set thee before us at all times, or glorified thee in all things:

Neither have we loved our neighbor as ourselves, or followed after charity and the things whereby one may edify another.

We have set our affection on things below, and laid up treasure upon the earth, contemning that incorruptible inheritance which is reserved in heaven for the sons of God.

Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. If thou wert extreme to mark what is done amiss, who, O Lord, may abide it! but there is mercy with thee that thou mayest be feared, and plentous redemption.

Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve; pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord.

Amen.

O God, who thyself workest in us, and hast commanded us to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling, we bless thee for that day of grace

which thou dost afford us, in which we may learn the lessons of holy obedience, and may be exercised in the work of faith, the labor of love, the patience of hope, and in all the discipline of temperance, charity, and godliness.

May we be diligent in every good word and work, doing with our might what our hand findeth to do, and being faithful in that trust which we have received of the Lord; that when he shall come, we may receive that sentence, Well done, good and faithful servants, enter ye into the joy of your Lord.

Amen.

Be merciful unto all men. Let the beams of thy grace and truth enlighten all lands; that the darkness of ignorance and of sin being everywhere dispelled, all men may become children of light.

Amen.

Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness, that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We commend the sick, the afflicted, the prisoners, and especially the dying, to thy compassion and grace, O Lord: send them comfort and deliverance. May they be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord: and when our day shall come to leave this world, may we have hope in our death, through him who died for us and rose

again, and who hath given unto us this promise, Because I live, ye shall live also. Carry us not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity.

Amen.

Have us all in thy holy keeping this night, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer.

Amen.

Thursday Morning.

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.—MATT. vi.

O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.

When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;

What is man, that thou art mindful of him! and the son of man, that thou visitest him!

For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor.

Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet.

O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth !—Ps. viii.

WE render thanks and praise unto thy great name, O Lord, for the protection of thy gracious Providence during the past night, for restoration to consciousness, and the activity of life, and for all the blessings of a new day. Thy mercies are new to us every morning ; if we should count them, they are more than can be numbered. When we awake we are still with thee.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life (in which thy son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility) ; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty, to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal.

Amen.

Let thy heavenly grace guide and govern us this day, O Lord, in all our thoughts, words, and deeds ; that while we are in the world, we may have in us the spirit which is of God, and may follow in all things our crucified and risen Lord. Purify us, we beseech thee, that, being redeemed from these and all things which are not of the Father, we may be delivered from the power of this world which passeth away, and, doing the will of God, may abide for ever.

Amen.

O eternal Lord, who hast prepared for thy servants a better, even an enduring substance, and hast taught us that no man can serve God and mammon, keep us, we entreat thee, from covetousness, which is idolatry ; from laying up treasure upon the earth ; from undue anxieties and unbelieving fears respecting this present life ; from carnal security and confidence in the things that perish in the using. Let not any of us say to his soul, Thou hast much goods laid up for many years ; eat, drink, and be merry : whereas we know not what shall be on the morrow, or how soon our soul may be required of us.

Amen.

Thy favor is life ; thy lovingkindness, O God, is better than life : may we be rich in faith, and heirs, through hope, of the kingdom which thou hast promised to them that love thee.

Amen.

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding ; pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire.

Amen.

We pray for all men, that they may be saved : for thy church militant, that all thy servants may be good soldiers of Jesus Christ, so fighting the fight of faith as to obtain the crown of immortal life : for all our kindred, friends, and benefactors, that they may enjoy the protection of thy Providence

and the blessings of thy grace, and be saved through the knowledge and obedience of the truth; and especially for all the members of this family, that, through faith and love, they may be members of thy family, thy children, and heirs of thy promises, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Thursday Evening.



Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.—I JOHN ii.

THE heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth his handywork.

Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night showeth knowledge.

The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple:

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes:

Moreover, by them is thy servant warned : and in keeping of them there is great reward.

Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults.

Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins ; let them not have dominion over me : then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer.—Ps. xix.

O GOD, our most merciful Father, who hast preserved us to the end of another day, making the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice, and filling our hearts with food and gladness ; we acknowledge thy manifold mercies bestowed upon us during the past day and all our past lives, notwithstanding our great unworthiness and our multiplied transgressions.

O most gracious God, we acknowledge our sinfulness, guilt, and misery in thy sight. Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our transgressions ; and justify us freely by thy grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus ; and make us, of thine infinite goodness, heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Amen.

Grant unto us, we pray thee, a godly sorrow, working repentance unto salvation not to be repented of. As we have done iniquity, may we do so

no more ; but, being redeemed from the bondage of sin, may we serve thee continually in the liberty of thy children, having our fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

Amen.

O thou great Master and Lord, who hast placed us in this world in which we are surrounded with manifold temptations, so that, by reason of our weakness and the corruption of our nature, we cannot but fall unless thou hold us up ; bestow upon us, we pray thee, thy Holy Spirit, to sanctify and strengthen us, to deliver us from the power of sin, and to make us holy in heart and life ; that we may faithfully serve and obey thee, and be followers in all things of thy Son, our Lord, who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth, and who hath left us an example that we might follow his steps.

Amen.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men, grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise ; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Grant us, O Lord, the wisdom that cometh from above, to guide us in all the affairs and duties of life. In all perplexities do thou direct our steps :

may we be wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil; in malice being children, but in understanding being men. In simplicity and godly sincerity—not with carnal wisdom—may we have our conversation in the world. Lead us in thy truth, O God, and teach us, that we may know that will of thine which is good, and acceptable, and perfect.

Amen.

Let not any iniquity have dominion over us: but may we daily grow in grace, subduing the sins that do more easily beset us, going on unto perfection, and abounding in every good word and work.

Amen.

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us thy mercy, that thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord.

Amen.

We commit ourselves, and all that are dear to us, to thy mercy and grace. Keep us in soul and body, and preserve us to thy heavenly kingdom. Be gracious to all men. Hear the cry of the miserable everywhere, and save the afflicted people: through our merciful High Priest Jesus Christ.

Amen.



Friday Morning.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.—MATT. v.

THE Lord hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee.

Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion.

Remember all thy offerings, and accept thy sacrifice.

Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counsel.

We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners; the Lord fulfil all thy petitions.—Ps. xx.

WE thank Thee, O God, our Heavenly Father, for liberty of access to Thy presence, by that new and living way which Christ hath consecrated for us; that drawing near with true hearts, in full assurance of faith, we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help us in time of need.

Amen.

O Lord, thou art our shepherd. We are the people of thy pasture, and the sheep of thy hand, dependent upon thee continually for life, and breath,

and all things ; and as thou hast created us that we might serve and enjoy thee, teach us to walk worthy of our high calling, and to glorify thy great name.

Amen.

We thank thee, O Lord, our Heavenly Father, for the rest and sleep of the past night, for life and health, for food and raiment, and all the blessings of a new day. Being compassed about at all times with thy mercies, may we set thee before us continually, and make thee our end in all that we do ; studying to obey thy holy laws, and to walk in the footsteps of thy blessed Son, who came down from heaven to redeem our souls from sin and death, and to guide our feet in the paths of righteousness and peace.

Amen.

O God, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity, grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let thy spirit so illuminate our minds that we may understand those things which thy Son hath taught us, and what thou wouldest have us to do, that we may approve the things that are excellent. May thy word dwell in us richly, in all wisdom and spiritual understanding, that we may be men in Christ Jesus, and perfect in every good word and

work. Let us not be carried about with diverse and strange doctrines; ever learning, yet never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. May our hearts be established with grace, according to the faith of God's elect, and the doctrine which is according to godliness, even as he hath taught us, who is thy Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever.

Amen.

In all godly dispositions and works of piety; in all acts of righteousness and goodness towards men, rendering to all their due; being just, sincere, merciful; kind, forbearing, and forgiving; in all sobriety, temperance, purity, and heavenly-mindedness; in fortitude and patience, and in all goodness, may we, through thy grace, increase and abound from day to day. Enrich us, O God, with all the graces of thy Spirit: clothe our souls with the robes of righteousness, and beautify them with the garments of salvation, that we may be accepted guests at the marriage supper of the Heavenly King.

Amen.

We pray for the whole world, that all men may know, believe, and obey thy truth; and that thy kingdom may come, and thy will be done, in all the earth.

Amen.

Extend, purify, and prosper thy church. May all who are called by Christ's name adorn his doctrine,

bringing forth the fruits of holiness, that thou mayest be glorified.

Amen.

We commend especially unto thee, O Lord, all who are dear to us; be pleased to protect, prosper, and bless them in all things; turn away their eyes from vanity, and their hearts from all evil; and incline their wills at all times to keep thy commandments.

Amen.

Visit the sick and the afflicted with the joy of thy salvation: be the husband of the widow, the father of the fatherless, and the refuge of all that call upon thee.

Amen.

Almighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's name; we beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto thee, and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Friday Evening.

And now, little children, abide in him: that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming. If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him. Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.—1 JOHN ii. iii.

LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?

He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor.

In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoreth them that fear the Lord: he that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.

He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved.—Ps. xv.

ALMIGHTY and most gracious God, be pleased to look upon us in thy mercy. Though we are not worthy to ask anything of thee, yet do we with confidence present our petitions before thy throne of grace, through Jesus Christ, assured that whatever we ask in his name, believing, we shall receive.

Amen.

We will praise thee with our whole heart; we will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name, for thy lovingkindnes and thy truth. Though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly. Though we walk in the midst of darkness, thou wilt revive us: thou wilt stretch forth thy hand against the wrath of our enemies, and thy right hand will save us. Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands.

Amen.

O God, who hast searched us and known us, who dost compass our path, and art acquainted with all our ways, and understandest even our thoughts afar off; we acknowledge that we have not walked in the way of thy commandments, but have gone astray from thee, and walked in counsels of our own. We have coveted the perishing riches, despising the true riches; we have not hungered and thirsted after righteousness, but after the possessions, pleasures, and vanities of this present world; so that we have not enjoyed the blessings which thy Son hath promised, but are poor and miserable and blind and naked.

Amen.

O Lord, our own hearts condemn us in thy presence; for we have not loved thee supremely, or chosen thee as our portion; neither have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not rejoiced in tribulation, or gloried in the cross of our Lord

Jesus Christ, whereby the world might be crucified unto us, and we unto the world.

O Lord, have mercy upon us: according to thy great goodness do away all our offences. Create in us a clean heart, O God; renew a right spirit within us; that we may be transformed by the renewing of our minds, and may in all things walk worthy of him who calleth us to glory and virtue.

Amen.

Knowing also that the time is short, and the day of the Lord draweth nigh, may we not sleep as do others who know not God; but awaking to righteousness, may we put off all the works of darkness, and be clothed with the armor of light, and walk as children of the day, being watchful, sober, and diligent, hoping for thy glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

O God, who hast graciously preserved us till now, abundantly supplying our wants, and making all thy goodness to pass before us; we would still commit our souls and bodies to thy most mighty protection. Defend us and all the members of this family, and all our beloved friends, relatives, and benefactors, from all danger and evil, whether that which is outward, and may hurt the body, or that which is inward, and may hurt the soul; and grant that they and we may live in thy fear and love all the days of our life upon earth, and afterwards may

be partakers of glory, honor, and immortality; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let thy blessing descend upon all men, O God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made.

Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.



Saturday Morning.



Whosoever shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.—MATT. v.

ALL the ends of the world shall remember, and turn unto the Lord; and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

For the kingdom is the Lord's; and he is the governor among the nations.

A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.

They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done this.—Ps. xxii.

GRACIOUS and most merciful Father, enable us to worship thee acceptably in the spirit of holiness, through Jesus Christ, who appears in thy presence for us.

Amen.

Hear our prayer, O Lord, and let our cry come unto thee. Hide not thy face from us; in the day when we call answer us speedily.

Amen.

We are miserable sinners in thy sight, O Lord. These two great evils we have done: we have forsaken thee, the fountain of living waters, and have hewn for ourselves broken cisterns which can hold no water; so that our souls have dwelt in a dry and parched land where no water is.

Thy hands have made and fashioned us; thou hast led us and fed us all our life long; and the angel of thy presence hath saved us. Thou hast not at any time left thyself without witness. Thine eternal power and godhead are clearly seen in the works which thou hast made. The heavens proclaim thine infinite majesty; the whole earth is full of thy glory; and thou, O Father, hast sent thy Son to be the Saviour of the world. Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.

Most merciful Father, grant unto us, we pray thee, redemption, even the remission of our sins, according to the riches of thy grace in Christ; whom thou didst set forth to be a propitiation, and whom thou hast now exalted at thy right hand, a Prince and a Saviour.

O Lord, grant unto us thy light and thy truth, to illuminate our hearts and consciences, that we may know our weakness, guilt, and misery, and may be delivered from the carnal mind, which is death. And do thou, who art the Lord and giver of life, by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost, revive and quicken us, and make us new creatures in Christ; that, being cleansed from all sin, and being made perfect in every good word and work, the peace of God which passeth all understanding may keep our hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Amen.

Almighty God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life; give us grace, that we may always most thankfully receive his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life.

Amen.

O Lord, who workest effectually in them that believe, grant us grace sufficient for the duties and trials of this day. Hold up our goings in thy paths that our footsteps slide not. Keep us from unholy thoughts, desires, and tempers, and from all unrighteous actions; keep also the door of our lips that we offend not with our tongue; and all that we do let it be done in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with carnal wisdom. May we constantly intend to please and glorify thee in all things; and

let us not deny Christ our master ; but follow him in faith and patience, remembering that faithful saying, If we suffer with him, we shall reign with him ; if we deny him, he also will deny us.

Amen.

Look down in thy favor upon the whole body of them who are called by the name of thy Son.

Amen.

Mercifully regard our friends and kindred. Comfort them that mourn ; bind up the broken in heart ; let the sick, the miserable, the dying, find deliverance and salvation in thee, O God ; and dispose us to be ministers of thy bounty and channels of thy grace to our fellow-men.

Amen.

Accept our prayers and praises, O Lord, through thy Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ, who taught us after this manner to pray—

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.



Saturday Evening.



In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil : whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren : he that loveth not his brother abideth in death.

My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue ; but in deed, and in truth.—I JOHN iii.

MERCIFULLY assist our prayers which we make before thee, O Lord, our Heavenly Father : and, that we may receive our petitions, make us to desire such things as are agreeable to thy holy will.

Amen.

We will praise thee, O Lord ; we will bless thy name for ever and ever. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, thy name is to be praised. The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory is above the heavens. Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high, and humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and in the earth !

At the close of another day, and another week, we unite in offering up before thee, O our God, the sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving for the goodness and mercy, the patience and longsuffering which thou hast manifested toward us, though we daily abuse thy bounties, and are unprofitable servants. The Lord hath been mindful of us ; thou loadest us with thy benefits ; therefore will we bless the Lord from this time henceforth and for evermore.

Amen.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name be glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake.

O God, who art greater than our hearts, and

knowest all things, we confess our sins before thee. We have neglected what thou dost require, and have done what thou hast forbidden. We have not kept the door of our lips, but have sinned with our tongue times and ways past reckoning. Neither have our hearts been sanctified. We have not been subject to thy most holy will, but have been rebellious, in thought, word, and deed, against thee, the Father of our spirits.

Amen.

We confess our sins : we acknowledge our folly and wretchedness before thee, O God ; beseeching thee, who art faithful and just, to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

Most gracious God, who hast promised unto them that love thee such good things as have not entered into man's heart, may we fight the good fight of faith, as seeing thee who art invisible, and having respect unto the recompense of reward. Let us not be weary in well-doing, or faint when we are rebuked of thee, knowing that in due season we shall reap if we faint not.

Amen.

God of all grace, who hast so loved the world as to give thy Son ; may we, who are called by thy name, be followers of thee as dear children ; being kind and merciful, forbearing and forgiving as thou

art, who art good even to the unthankful and the evil. Teach us to love our neighbor as ourselves, and to do good unto all men as we have opportunity. Cleanse our hearts from all sin, that we may dwell in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice, well pleasing unto thee.

Amen.

Our days and weeks glide swiftly away, reminding us of the end of our days, and of the night which is at hand, when we shall cease from all our earthly cares and labors, and lie down in the dust, in silence and darkness.

Amen.

May we, by thy grace, O Lord, so redeem the time of our visitation that we shall close our eyes upon this world without sorrow or fear, and sleep in Jesus, resting in the joyful hope of thy promises: that when the day of God shall dawn, we may arise with joy at the call of the archangel and the trumpet of God, and put on immortality, being redeemed from all the power of corruption, and made like unto the Son of God; that we may live and reign with him for ever, in his heavenly kingdom, who died for us and rose again, and liveth and reigneth with thee the Father, in the unity of the eternal Spirit, world without end.

Amen.

Lord be merciful to all men. Defend and prosper all that are dear to us. Keep us all, O Lord, in soul and body: supply all our wants; pardon all

our sins; and grant us all needful aid and grace, through Christ Jesus our Lord and Redeemer

Amen.

Sunday Morning.

The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.—JOHN i.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, who didst on the first day of the week raise up thy Son from the dead, give us grace, we beseech thee, to spend this day and all our days in thy service, and in thankful remembrance of thy manifold goodness. Raise our thoughts, O Lord, above the cares and concerns of this life, which will soon be ended, to that better life which will last for ever. We thank thee for the light of the gospel, for the means of grace, and the hope of glory. We would be glad when it is said unto us, Go ye into the house of the Lord. Let thy presence go with us, and make us joyful in thy house of prayer. May thy Spirit so incline our hearts that we may

offer up our prayers and praises in sincerity, may hear thy word with faith and love, and may henceforth walk worthy of our Christian profession. And grant unto us in the comfort of thy worship here, a foretaste of heavenly joy; that while we now drink together of the cup of thy grace and consolation, we may be prepared to drink it new with Christ in his kingdom.

Bestow thy blessing upon all who are called by thy name, that they may adorn their profession and walk worthy of God. Let all the nations of the world fear and serve thee. Be gracious to the afflicted; draw nigh to the dying; have mercy upon all men. Forgive us our sins, and accept us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.



Sunday Evening.



For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.—JOHN iii.

O HOLY and eternal God, who by the glorious resurrection of thy Christ, hast overcome death, and triumphed over all the powers of hell,

sin, and the grave, make us to rise from the death of sin, and to live the life of grace; that we, imitating his glorious example, may be partakers of his resurrection. We offer unto thy divine Majesty, ourselves, our souls and bodies, our thoughts and words, to be disposed by thee to thy glory, to be blessed by thy Providence, to be guided by thy counsel, to be sanctified by thy Spirit; that afterwards our bodies and souls may be received into glory.

In thee, O Lord, do we trust: thou art just; thou art merciful; thou art gracious and compassionate. We laud and praise thy glorious name for all thy mercies. Grant that thy word, which we have heard this day, may bring forth fruit unto holiness in our whole life, to the glory of thy name, to the edification of our brethren, and to the comfort of our souls in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Have mercy upon all that desire, and all that need our prayers. Ease the pains of the sick; support the spirits of the disconsolate; hear the cries of orphans and widows in their calamity; restore all that are oppressed to their rights, and sanctify to them all their wrongs. Pity the folly, and alleviate the calamities, of thy creatures. In mercy remember those that are appointed to die; comfort and support their spirits; perfect their repentance; and receive the souls returning unto thee, which thou hast redeemed with the precious blood of thy Son.

Lord, pity and pardon, direct and bless, sanctify and save us all. Give repentance to all that live in sin, and perseverance to all thy sons and servants; through our blessed Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Monday Morning.

The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.—JOHN iv.

ALmighty GOD, Lord of heaven and earth, we cast ourselves down before thee, humbly confessing our manifold sins and wickedness, by which we might be justly separated from the enlivening comforts of thy presence for ever.

But thou, who art our Judge, art also our Father: we have sinned; but Jesus, thy Son, is our Advocate. Have mercy upon us, miserable sinners: enter not into judgment with us, lest we die: but spare us, gracious Lord, and let thy mercies be magnified upon us. Let sin no longer have dominion over us. Make us free, that we may serve thee in righteousness and peace all our days; through Christ our Lord.

Sanctify, O God, our bodies and souls: search

our spirits, and cast out all iniquity from within us ; all deceit, pride, and envy, all hypocrisy and lying, all inordinate love of this world, all hardness of heart and unrelenting dispositions, all peevishness and hasty anger, all revengefulness and irreligion, and every motion of soul which is against thy will and commandment. Grant that the words which we yesterday heard in thy temple with our outward ears, may through thy grace be so inwardly grafted in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us fruits of righteousness and piety and unfeigned goodness.

Gracious Father, give us pardon for what is past, and sincere repentance ; that for the time to come we may, with pure minds, with contrite hearts, with sanctified lips and holy desires, serve thee ; walking humbly with thee, our God ; conversing justly and charitably with men, and possessing our souls in patience and holiness, and our bodies in sanctification and honor ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose prevailing name and words we further call upon thee, saying—

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.



Monday Evening.



And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life : he that cometh to me shall never hunger ; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst. For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.—JOHN vi.

ALMIGHTY GOD, who art a gracious Father to the penitent, let thy merciful ears be open to the petitions of thy servants, who, with sorrow and repentance, confess their sins unto thee.

O thou God of pity and compassion, have mercy upon us: thou hast revealed to mankind an infinite mercy in Christ Jesus: be pleased to give us repentance and pardon; and grant that, being regenerated by thy Holy Spirit, we may live a gracious and blessed life in all godliness and honesty.

And whilst we offer up petitions for ourselves, we beseech thee, O Lord, so to direct the affairs of the world, that all things may be subservient to the progress of religion pure and undefiled. Make all estates and orders of men, disciples and followers of thy blessed Son. Let princes worship and serve thee; let thy ministers honor thee by vigilance and zeal; let all the world submit to thy sceptre, praise thy righteousness, adore thy judgments, and revere thy laws. And grant unto us all truly to repent of our sins, carefully to reform our errors, diligently to watch over all our actions, industriously to do all our duty; may it be the work of our lives to obey thee, the joy of our souls to please thee, the satisfaction of all our hopes to live with thee, in the holiness of thy kingdom of grace and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Tuesday Morning.

My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me. If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself. Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.—JOHN vii. and viii.

O ALMIGHTY Father, God of all the world, in the light of whose countenance there is perpetual day; we thy servants whom thou hast preserved this night, bless and glorify thee. As we live by thy power, so we desire to walk by thy laws, to be blessed by thy providence, to be defended by thy almighty hand. Let this day and all the days of our lives be holy and peaceable; send thy holy Spirit, the Spirit of peace, to be the guide of our way, the guard of our souls and bodies, that we may spend the remaining portion of our life in blessing, and peace, and holiness.

Deliver us from all temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil. Take not thy grace from us; let us never want thy help in our needs, or thy comfort in the day of our danger and calamity. Never try us beyond our strength, nor afflict us beyond our patience, nor smite us but with a Father's rod. Thou art our rock, and our strong salvation. Deliver us, O God, from the miseries of this world, and save us from the wrath to come.

Rescue us from the evils we have done, and preserve us from the evils we have deserved. Receive thy servants who approach to the throne of thy grace in the name of Jesus Christ ; give unto every one of us what is best for us ; cast out all evil from within us ; work in us a fulness of holiness, of wisdom and spiritual understanding ; that we, increasing in the knowledge of God, may be fruitful in every good work ; and may at the day of judgment, be presented pure and spotless, that we may sing eternal Hallelujahs to Him that sitteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Tuesday Evening.

Jesus answered, I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day ; the night^e cometh, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world ; that they which see not might see, and that they which see might be made blind.—JOHN ix.

O ETERNAL GOD, we adore thy mercy and wisdom, in that thou dost pity our infirmities, instruct our ignorances, pass by thousands of our follies, invitest us to repentance, and dost offer pardon to us because we need it, and because thou delightest in showing mercy.

O God, let such transcendent love be impressed upon thy servants that it may work in us a sorrow for our sins, and a perfect hatred of them, a watchfulness against temptations, strict and holy resolutions, producing all virtue. Let us not fall from sin to sin, nor persevere in any, nor love any thing which thou hatest; but give us thy holy Spirit to conduct and rule us for ever; and let us never grieve, resist, or quench thy Spirit of grace. Keep us, O Lord, from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over us. Let us never despair of thy mercies by reason of our sins, or neglect our repentance by reason of thy infinite lovingkindness; but let thy goodness bring us and all sinners to repentance; thy holy Spirit give us perseverance, and thy infinite favor bring us to glory.

Grant that we may never sleep in sin or death eternal, but may have our part in the first resurrection, that the second death may not have power over us.

Grant unto thy servants to have faith in the Lord Jesus, a contempt of the world, a longing desire after Heaven, an holy life, and a blessed death; that when we shall appear before the seat of judgment, we may not be confounded, but may stand upright in the congregation of the saints, acquitted by the death of Christ, justified by his resurrection, that we may rejoice in his salvation, and sing thy praises for ever and ever. All these blessings we supplicate in his name and through his mediation. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Wednesday Morning.

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and none is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.—
JOHN X.

BLESSED be thy name, O God, who hast preserved us this night from sorrow, and death. The outgoings of the morning and evening shall praise thee, and thy servants shall rejoice in giving thee thanks for the operation of thy hands. Let thy providence and care watch over us this day and all our lives, that we may never sin against thee by idleness or folly, by evil company or secret sins, by word or deed, by thought or desire. Let the employment of our day leave no sorrow, or the remembrance of an evil conscience at night; but let it be holy and profitable, innocent and blessed. Thou hast sent us into this world to serve thee, and to live according to thy laws; but we, by our sins, have provoked thee to wrath, and have planted thorns and sorrows round about our dwellings. Our life is but a span long; the days of our pilgrimage are few and evil. O God, look upon us in mercy and pity. Let thy holy Spirit lead us through this world with safety, peace, and holiness. Grant that we may not be snatched hence with any

duty undone, or surprised in an act of sin, or called upon when our lamps are untrimmed. Let not our death be violent or untimely, but after the ordinary visitation of men, with resignation and piety, and our hearts impressed with the sense of thy everlasting mercies. Preserve, O God, our reason and religion, our faith and hope, perfect till the last of our days. Grant that when the days of our short abode are done, and the shadows are departed, we may die the death of the righteous, in thy fear and favor, and rest in a holy hope, and at last return to the joys of a blessed resurrection, through Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.



Wednesday Evening.



I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth, and believeth in me, shall never die.—JOHN xi.

ETERNAL God, almighty Father of men and angels, by whose care and providence we are preserved and blessed, comforted and assisted, we humbly beg of thee to pardon the sins and follies of our past lives, the weaknesses of our service, the rashness of our words, and the vanity and evil of our actions. O God, how long shall we confess our

sins, and pray against them, and yet continue to commit them? Oh! let it be so no more. Let us never return to the follies of which we are ashamed, which bring sorrow and death, and thy displeasure, which is worse than death. Be pleased to preserve us this night from sin and from all evil. Watch over us; and whether we sleep or wake, let us be thy servants. Be thou the first and the last in all our thoughts, and the guide and continual assistance of all our actions. Preserve our bodies, and sanctify our spirits; and grant us so perfectly to obey thy commandments, and to wait for the coming of our Lord, that we may be ready to enter with him at whatsoever hour he shall come.

Oh! be merciful unto us in the day of our calamity. Strengthen our faith in the day of our sicknesses and trials, when the cloud is thick, and the storm is great; that we may rely upon thy grace, hope in thy goodness, and receive the end of our faith, the salvation of our souls. Be pleased here to guide us with thy counsel, and, after that, receive us into glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.



Thursday Morning.

Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you: walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come

upon you : for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light.—JOHN xii.

HOLY, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come : heaven and earth are full of his glory. All the blessed spirits and souls of the righteous cast their crowns before the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever. Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory, and honor, and power ; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty : just and true are thy ways, O thou King of saints.

O God, for thy great and unspeakable goodness, for the preservation of us this night, and for all other thy graces and blessings, we offer unto thee the praise and glory ; presenting our bodies, and all that we are, and all that we have, as a sacrifice to thee and thy service ; humbly begging of thee to pardon all our sins, to defend us from all evil, and to lead us into all good.

Keep us, O God, by thy holy Spirit, from all sin, from the pride of life and vanity of spirit, from being careless of our duty or false in our trust, from breach of promise or reproachful language, from slandering or traducing any man, from false accusation and false witness, from faction and envy. Grant us thy grace, that we may be diligent and just in our business, provident of our time, watchful in our duty,

careful of every word we speak. Oh! make us to be useful in our generation, loving to each other, conscientious in all things, patient in adversity, and thankful in prosperity.

O blessed God, keep us in our souls and bodies, from evil accidents, from severe and tedious sicknesses: let us not want or be desolate in the earth; and in old age, O God, forsake us not. Grant us such measures of thy Spirit, that we may abstain from all appearance, and all occasions, of evil, and may do whatsoever is honest and of good report; that having lived in thy faith and fear, we may have comfort in the day of our death, and find mercy at the day of judgment, through the goodness of our God, and by the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.



Thursday Evening.



If ye love me, keep my commandments: and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.—JOHN xiv.

MOST glorious and eternal God, Father of mercy, and God of all comfort, we worship

and adore thee for thy infinite and essential glories and perfections ; and for the abundance of thy mercies which thou art continually pouring down upon us.

Visit us, we beseech thee, O Lord, with thy mercy and thy salvation ; and let the eternal Spirit dwell in our souls and bodies, filling our hearts with light and grace.

To thee, who art the fountain of peace, and the Father of union, we pray for peace, for love, and for thy salvation. Let a holy peace for ever dwell in our consciences. Let peace and holiness, and thy blessing, O God, for ever adorn, support, and comfort this family. Let there be peace and union in all Christian assemblies, one heart, and one voice, the same faith, and an eternal charity. Make wars to cease in all the world ; and let him reign everywhere who is the Prince of Peace.

Now that we are going to rest, into thy hands we commend our souls and bodies. So bless and sanctify our sleep that it may be temperate and holy, a refreshment to our wearied bodies, that we, being watchful and prudent, may serve thee by a faithful discharge of every duty. Oh ! let us never sleep in sin or death eternal ; and whether we sleep or wake, live or die, may we be thy servants and thy children ; that when the work of our life is done, we may rest in the bosom of our Lord, till, by the voice of the Archangel we shall be awakened, and called to sit down with all thy saints in the kingdom

of God. Which things we ask in the name of our most merciful Redeemer. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Friday Morning

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me; and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me; because I live, ye shall live also.—JOHN xiv.

O ETERNAL GOD, who hast made thy Son Jesus Christ to be wisdom and righteousness, sanctification and redemption, to all his faithful disciples, grant that we may be made partakers of his Spirit, and may walk in his steps, that finally we may also be made partakers of his glory. Let all our actions be pious and prudent, ourselves wise as serpents and harmless as doves, and our whole life, just, charitable, and exemplary; that we may, like lamps shining in thy temple, serve thee and enlighten others, guiding them to thy sanctuary, and confirming them in thy faith and fear.

Implant in our hearts gentleness and patience, a meek and long-suffering spirit; that we may never be overcome with anger, or disturbed by peevishness, or entertain thoughts of revenge: but may, with meekness, receive all injuries that shall be done

to us; and patiently bear every cross; and, with charity, may return blessing for cursing, good for evil; that, living all our days with meekness and charity, keeping peace with all men, and loving our neighbors as ourselves, we may at last enter with them into the regions of peace and everlasting love, where thou livest, who loveth all men, and wouldst have none to perish, but all men to be saved.

Keep us this day, and ever, in all our ways from accidents and dangers, from evil company, and the occasions and opportunities of evil, from the hands of all our enemies, from a sinful life, and from despair in the day of our death. Let thy mercies, O God, and the light of thy countenance sustain us in all our struggles, temptations, and weaknesses: and let thy Spirit so conduct us in the ways of peace and safety, that, with the testimony of a good conscience, and the sense of thy mercies and loving-kindness, we may depart this life in the unity of the church, in the love of God, and a certain hope of salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Friday Evening.

I am the vine, ye are the branches; he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing. If ye abide in me, and my words

abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit ; so shall ye be my disciples.—JOHN xv.

O HEAVENLY Father, who givest the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and stars for a light by night, vouchsafe to receive us this night, and ever, into thy favor and protection. Defend us from all evil accidents ; rule and govern us by thy holy Spirit ; that all hurtful ignorance, infidelity, despondency, and fear, being removed, we may abide in confidence and joy under the shadow of thy wings. Purify us from all uncleanness, and sanctify both our souls and bodies : strengthen us by thy Spirit that we may both do and bear thy holy will to thy glory ; guide us in all doubts and perplexities by thy heavenly light, and make us perfect in every good word and work, that we may both live and die unto the Lord.

Let our good desires become acts ; our acts, habits ; and let our habits be ripened into a blessed perseverance, that the peace of God may dwell with us for ever. Hear us, O God, and bless all our relations ; prosper all our labors ; sanctify all our intentions ; relieve all our necessities ; forgive all our sins ; defend us from all our enemies, and especially from ourselves, our evil habits, foolish customs, prevailing infirmities, and from the devil and thy wrath ; and bring us in mercy and truth, in holiness and comfort, to a fruition of thy glory, through our blessed Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Saturday Morning.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you. At that day ye shall ask in my name; and I say unto you that I will pray the Father for you: for the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God.—JOHN xvi.

O GOD, the fountain of pardon and holiness, mercifully receive the supplications of thy servants. We humbly confess our sins to thee; may they be subdued and blotted out; that we may live to thee a life of righteousness, and grow in it till we arrive at a state of glory.

Oh, give unto thy servants a resolution so strong, a hope so pure, a charity so true, that no temptation of health or sickness, no accident or interest may prevail to tempt us from thee. Work in us faith, whereby we may overcome the world, and crucify the flesh, and quench the fiery darts of the devil. Let our hatred of sin pass into the love of God; that we may proceed in holiness, and abide in thy favor, and may adorn that holy religion, which the Son of thy love came to reveal and exhibit to mankind. Make us meek, patient, and resigned in all accidents, changes, and issues of divine providence. Mortify in us all wrath, strife, contention, murmurings, malice, and envy; all peevish dispositions and unevenness of spirit. Oh, teach us so to hunger

and thirst after the ways of righteousness, that it may be as our meat and drink to do thy will. Raise our affections to heaven ; fix our hearts there ; and prepare a treasure for us which we may receive when our work here is finished. And in this interval of infirmity and temptations, strengthen our hopes and our faith by such light and grace of thy Spirit, that we may delight in those blessings which thou preparest for them that love thee, may despise the world and all its gilded vanities, and may desire nothing but the crown of righteousness, and the paths that lead thither, the graces of thy kingdom, and its glories ; that having served thee in holiness and true obedience, we may depart hence in thy favor, and may have our portion in the resurrection of the just, and may enter into the joy of our Lord, being pardoned, and accepted, and saved by the mercies of our God, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Saturday Evening.

I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world : again, I leave the world, and go to the Father. These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation : but be of good cheer ; I have overcome the world.—JOHN xvi.

O GOD, Father of spirits, the preserver of men and the great lover of souls, behold us thy servants, weak and miserable, sinful and ignorant. Be pleased to renew our minds and to sanctify our hearts : break off the bands and fetters of our sins ; correct our evil inclinations ; renew a right spirit within us, lest we enter into those regions where the light of thy countenance never shineth.

Give us pardon, O God of mercy, for all the errors and follies, the ignorances and omissions, the rash words and imprudent actions of which any of us hath been guilty this day, or at any time before. We confess our sins every day, and yet every day sin against thee : we pray unto thee for all the blessings that we need, and thou givest us all that we pray for, and much more ; but yet we regard thee not, but every day have cause to appear before thee with shame and confusion of face.

If thou, Lord, wert strict to mark what is done amiss, we could not abide it : but blessed be thy name, thy mercy is great ; and whilst we tremble at thy displeasure, we rejoice in thy goodness to us, and praise thy bounties and thy love, and hope in thy lovingkindness, and beg of thee that thou wilt pardon us and keep us this night and ever. Oh ! sanctify and save us ; bless us at home and abroad, in the works of our calling, in the duties of religion, in our persons and relations : make us to do what pleaseth thee, and to be wholly thine. The cares of the world we now wish to forget. We desire to

prepare our hearts for the celebration of thy holy day, by setting our affection on things above, considering it as an emblem and foretaste of heaven. May we frequent thy temple with holy thoughts and pious resolutions. Suffer not our devotions to be interrupted either by the troubles or the pleasures of this world. Make us to be like thee, holy, merciful, perfect; that passing from sin to grace, we may pass from death to life, from sorrow to joy, from earth to heaven, from the present state of misery and imperfection to the glorious inheritance prepared for the children of light, through the merits of our blessed Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

OCCASIONAL PRAYERS.

Sunday Morning.

Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my Spirit upon him, and he shall show judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets. A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory. And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.—MATT. xii.

JUDGE me, O Lord; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the Lord; therefore I shall not slide.

Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.

For thy loving-kindness is before mine eyes; and I have walked in thy truth.

I have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with dissemblers.

I have hated the congregation of evil-doers; and will not sit with the wicked.

I will wash mine hands in innocency: so will I compass thine altar, O Lord;

That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honor dwelleth.

My foot standeth in an even place; in the congregations will I bless the Lord.—Ps. xxvi.

Let us pray.

O GOD, the maker and preserver of all men, we thank thee, that we, who deserve the sentence of death for our sins, are born again to a lively hope by the resurrection of thy Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead.

Many, O Lord our God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts to usward;

They are more than can be numbered.

Thou hast brought us up out of an horrible pit, and from the miry clay:

Thou hast set our feet upon a rock, and established our goings. Thou hast put a new song in our mouth, even praise unto our God.

We thank thee, O Lord, who art very pitiful and of tender mercy, for preserving us to see the light of another day. For the blessings of rest and sleep [of health and strength], of food and raiment; for our domestic relations and comforts; for the light of the gospel and the means of grace,

We give thee praise and glory.

Entreating thee that thy manifold favors may not turn to our greater condemnation; but that thy

goodness may make us good, thy mercies render us merciful,

And that we may walk in love as thou hast loved us.

O God, who on the seventh day didst rest from all thy works, and hast promised an everlasting rest to all thy faithful servants, teach and enable us to rest from our works as thou didst from them; that we, who labor and are heavy laden in doing our own will, may take up the yoke and burden of Jesus Christ,

And learning of him, may find rest unto our souls ; for his yoke is easy and his burden is light.

Grant to us thy blessing, and to all the members of this family, O God. Keep us outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls. May we be sober and watch unto prayer. Deliver us from forgetfulness of thy presence and will, and from all ungodliness; from pride, vanity, and all selfishness; from envy, malice, and hypocrisy; from evil speaking and uncharitable judging; from impatience and discontent; from covetousness and love of the world. May we redeem the time, walking in the Spirit, and not fulfilling the desires of the flesh.

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver us: O Lord, make haste to help us.

To our friends and kinsmen, our benefactors, and all who have desired to be remembered in our prayers, grant thy favor and blessing: for thy blessing maketh rich, and thy favor is life.

May they know thee, the only true God, and Jesus

Christ whom thou hast sent, and so have eternal life abiding in them.

Look down, O Lord, upon the whole body of thy faithful people on earth. Unite them all in one faith and hope. Let them be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. And do thou, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth, pour into the hearts of all Christians that most excellent gift of Charity, the very bond of perfection, and without which whoever liveth is accounted as dead before thee.

Let all those that seek thee, rejoice and be glad in thee : Let such as love thy salvation, say continually, The Lord be magnified.

Give us grace to worship thee this day with devout and heavenly affections ; with seriousness and holiness.

Assist the ministers of the Word, and all thy people, that their meeting together may be to thy glory, and to the edification and increase of thy Church.

Look in mercy upon all men. Comfort and relieve the afflicted and sorrowful. Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from us, O Lord.

Let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve us.

These our prayers we present in the name of Jesus Christ, our High Priest and Advocate, who taught us when we pray, thus to say—

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Sunday Evening.

We give thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light : who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son ; in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins.—
COLOSSIANS i.

THY mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens ; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.

Thy righteousness is like the great mountains ; thy judgments are a great deep : O Lord, thou preservest man and beast.

How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God ! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house ; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.

For with thee is the fountain of life : in thy light shall we see light.

O continue thy lovingkindness unto them that know thee : and thy righteousness to the upright in heart.—
Ps. xxxvi.

LET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants ; and that we may receive our petitions, make us to desire such things as shall please thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We bless thee for the word of truth, the gospel of our salvation ; that thou hast sent unto us the joyful news of our redemption by Jesus Christ our Saviour, in whom thou art reconciling the world unto thyself, not imputing to us our trespasses.

Oh, that there were such an heart in us that we might believe thy faithful word, might embrace thy exceeding great and precious promises, might hope in thee continually, and with praises magnify thee more and more.

We give thee thanks that we have been permitted to go with the multitude to the house of God with the voice of joy and praise, to enter into thy courts, and in the congregation of the saints to bless the Lord. Accept our prayers and praises we entreat thee, and do thou graciously pardon all our sins, and grant us thy holy spirit, that, putting off the works of darkness and crucifying the old and corrupt man within us, we may walk in the light of truth, justice, and holiness, rendering a faithful and willing obedience to all thy righteous commands, through Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Increase in us daily, O Lord, a true and sincere repentance, a lively faith and hope, a godly zeal. Endue us with patience in all troubles and afflictions, and with perseverance in every good work ;

And above all, shed abroad in our hearts the grace of charity, which is the end of the commandment.

Keep us in all temptations ; strengthen us that we may fight the good fight of faith, and lay hold on eternal life,

Looking unto Jesus, who having despised the shame and pain of the cross, now sitteth in glory at thy right hand.

May we have grace to walk in his steps, remembering that faithful saying, If we die with him we shall also live with him; if we suffer we shall also reign with him;

If we deny him he also will deny us.

And we humbly beseech thee, O Lord, to look upon thy family, even the whole church which thy Son hath purchased with his own blood.

Grant unto all thy servants a spirit of wisdom, zeal, and power.

Increase in them faith, hope, charity, meekness, patience, and all graces of the spirit; and may they abound in all good works, that they may glorify thee now in the time of this mortal life,

And be glorified with thee at the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

O merciful God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live;

Have mercy upon all who are ignorant of thy truth or resist it.

Take from them all hardness of heart and contempt of thy word, and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites,

And be made one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord ; and of thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night, for the love of thy only Son our Saviour ; in whose name and words we further say—

Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Sunday Morning.

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Remember not, Lord, our offences, neither take thou vengeance of our sins ; spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief ; from sin ; from the craft and assaults of the devil ; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart ; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy ; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all inordinate and sinful affections ; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest ; from plague, pestilence, and famine ; from battle and murder, and from violent death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion ; from all false doctrine, and heresy ; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation, by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision ; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat ; by thy Cross and Passion ; by thy precious Death and Burial ; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension ; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation ; in all time of our prosperity ; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins.

Neither reward us according to our iniquities.

O GOD, merciful Father, who despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as are sorrowful ; Mercifully assist our prayers which we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us ; and graciously hear us, that those evils which the craft and subtlety of the devil or man worketh against us, may, by thy good providence, be brought to nought ; that we thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church ; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

O GOD, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honor.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Graciously look upon our afflictions.

With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Favorably with mercy hear our prayers.

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

O Lord, let thy mercy be showed upon us :

As we do put our trust in thee.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities ; and, for the glory of thy Name, turn from us all those evils that we most justly have deserved ; and grant, that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honor and glory ; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and lovingkindness to us, and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.

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ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

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We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve all Christian Rulers and Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Pastors and Ministers of the Church with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and their living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to put an end to all scandals, and to send forth faithful laborers into thy harvest;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to us an heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succor, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all who travel by land or by water, all sick persons, and young children; and to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all who are desolate and oppressed;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repent-

ance; to forgive us all our sins, and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

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O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

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A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING.

OH God, the giver of all good, we thank thee in health and joy, our Maker and our heavenly Father,

We thank thee, heavenly Father.

For the glory of the heavens and the beauty of sea and land, for the light of day, and for every night to behold it,

We thank thee, heavenly Father.

For the blessed hour of silence, and night following day, for the sleep of weary eyes and thy providence around us,

We thank thee, heavenly Father.

For our neighbors, friends, and kindred, for all the good they have done us, and for a tenfold blessing upon them,

We thank and pray thee, heavenly Father.

For living in a free land and under righteous government, for just laws and open churches, for books of good counsel and for knowledge to read them,

We thank thee, heavenly Father.

O God, we thank thee for all the gifts we have welcomed, and for all we have forgotten ; and if, for our unworthiness, thou take any of them away,

Give us patience, heavenly Father.

When thou breakest the staff which upheld us, and thy wisdom takes away what thy goodness gave ; when thou makest the wife a widow and the child fatherless,

Thy will be done, heavenly Father.

When thou showest man the evil of his ways and bringest sorrow upon his soul for sin, though the wrong word is not unspoken nor the deed of guilt undone,

Have mercy upon us, heavenly Father.

In all time of sorrow, and in the hour of remorse, when we learn the truths which we believed not, and when our wickedness finds us out,

Be merciful to us, most merciful Father.

By thy knowledge of our weakness, and by thy love to man, make our repentance healthful and our shame wholesome, and bring us back to thy holy will.

Bring us back, we pray thee, heavenly Father.

When we turn from evil and do good, when we forgive those who have wronged us as we ask thy forgiveness, when we offer ourselves before thee as guilty, but pray to be made fit for thy service,

Turn us again for thy children, heavenly Father.

Lead us from our youth upward, and order all our lives ; when we are of full age guide, and in the time of drooping, sustain us.

These things we ask, heavenly Father.

Thou that knowest whence we come, we trust to thee whither we shall go ; teach us only thy will on earth, and thy will be done with us hereafter.

*In thy hands we leave ourselves, heavenly Father—
Thy will be done for ever, merciful Father.*

Accept our thanksgiving, and forgive our sins, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen.



MORNING PRAYER.



WE humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, to do away as the night all our transgressions, And to scatter our sins as the morning cloud : Lord, forgive whatsoever thou hast seen amiss in us during the past night ; wash us thoroughly from our wickedness, and cleanse us from our sin ; And let thy holy Spirit so go before and accompany,

and follow us during the day on which we are now entering, That we may believe in thee, and love thee, and keep thy commandments, And continue in thy fear all the day long ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who hast taught us to present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto thee, which is our reasonable service ; We come unto thee in the Name of Jesus Christ, and we would devote and dedicate ourselves wholly to thy service, henceforth to live only to thy glory. Do thou, the very God of peace, sanctify us wholly, and preserve our whole spirit, and soul, and body blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the work of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life ; Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure ; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom ; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

God, who hast commanded that no man should be idle, but that we should all work with our hands the thing that is good ; Look graciously upon thy servants now going forth to do their duty in that station of life unto which thou hast been pleased to call them. May thy blessing be upon our persons,

upon our labors, upon our substance, and upon all that belongs to us. Enable us to resist the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil ; to follow in all things the motions of thy good Spirit ; to be serious and holy in our lives ; true and just in our dealings ; watchful over our thoughts, words, and actions ; diligent in our business, and temperate in all things. Give us grace, that we may honestly improve all the talents thou hast committed to our trust ; and that no worldly business, no worldly pleasures, may ever divert us from the thoughts of the life to come ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

EVENING PRAYER.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We confess that we have this day sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, And are no more worthy to be called thy children : But do thou pity, and cleanse, and forgive, and save us for thy dear Son's sake. O remember not how little we have this day grown in grace, and in the knowledge of thee ; But give us this night true repentance, And hearty desires to serve thee better all the rest of our lives, And strength to bring the same to good effect ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Glory be to God in the highest, The Creator and

Lord of heaven and earth, The Preserver of all things, the Father of mercies ; Who so loved mankind as to send his only-begotten Son into the world, To redeem us from sin and misery, And to obtain for us everlasting life. Accept, O gracious God, our praises and thanksgivings for thine infinite mercies towards us, And teach us, Lord, to love thee more and serve thee better ; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed ; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give ; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness ; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

O Lord, let it be thy good pleasure to bless (our parents, our brothers and sisters,) all our relations, and all our friends. Lord, thou knowest best all our wants and all our desires : do thou therefore suit thy graces and blessings to our several necessities of body and soul. We implore thy blessing also upon all the members of this household, that all in their respective stations may labor to promote thy glory, and to adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things. Hear us, O God, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Into thy hands, O Lord, we solemnly commend our souls and bodies, and we beseech thee to keep

us this night in safety under the shadow of thy wings, and to raise us up to-morrow disposed and strengthened for thy service; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

MORNING PRAYER.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being; We, thy needy creatures, render thee our humble praises, for thy preservation of us from the beginning of our lives to this day, and especially for having delivered us from the dangers of the past night. To thy watchful providence we owe it (that no disturbance hath come nigh us or our dwelling; but that we are brought in safety to the beginning of this day.) For these thy mercies, we bless and magnify thy glorious Name; humbly beseeching thee to accept this our morning sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, for his sake who lay down in the grave, and rose again for us, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

And, since it is of thy mercy, O gracious Father, that another day is added to our lives; We here dedicate both our souls and our bodies to thee and thy service, in a sober, righteous, and godly life: in

which resolution, do thou, O merciful God, confirm and strengthen us; that, as we grow in age, we may grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

But, O God, who knowest the weakness and corruption of our nature, and the manifold temptations which we daily meet with; We humbly beseech thee to have compassion on our infirmities, and to give us the constant assistance of thy Holy Spirit; that we may be effectually restrained from sin, and excited to our duty. Imprint upon our hearts such a dread of thy judgments, and such a grateful sense of thy goodness to us, as may make us both afraid and ashamed to offend thee. And, above all, keep in our minds a lively remembrance of that great day, in which we must give a strict account of our thoughts, words, and actions; and according to the works done in the body, be eternally rewarded or punished, by him whom thou hast appointed the Judge of quick and dead, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In particular, we implore thy grace and protection for the ensuing day. Keep us temperate in our meats and drinks, and diligent in our several callings. Grant us patience under any afflictions thou shalt see fit to lay on us, and minds always contented with our present condition. Give us grace to be just and upright in all our dealings; quiet and peaceable; full of compassion; and ready to do good to all men, according to our abilities and opportunities. Direct us in all our ways [and prosper the works of

our hands in the business of our several stations.] Defend us from all dangers and adversities; and be graciously pleased to take us, and all things belonging to us, under thy fatherly care and protection. These things, and whatever else thou shalt see necessary and convenient to us, we humbly beg, through the merits and mediation of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*



EVENING PRAYER.



MOST merciful God, who art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, and hast promised forgiveness to all those who confess and forsake their sins: We come before thee in an humble sense of our own unworthiness, acknowledging our manifold transgressions of thy righteous laws. But, O gracious Father, who desirest not the death of a sinner, look upon us, we beseech thee, in mercy, and forgive us all our transgressions. Make us deeply sensible of the great evil of them; and work in us an hearty contrition; that we may obtain forgiveness at thy hands, who art ever ready to receive humble and penitent sinners; for the sake of thy

Son Jesus Christ, our only Saviour and Redeemer.
Amen.

And lest, through our own frailty, or the temptations which encompass us, we be drawn again into sin, vouchsafe us, we beseech thee, the direction and assistance of thy Holy Spirit. Reform whatever is amiss in the temper and disposition of our souls; that no unclean thoughts, unlawful designs, or inordinate desires, may rest there. Purge our hearts from envy, hatred, and malice: that we may never suffer the sun to go down upon our wrath; but may always go to our rest in peace, charity, and good-will, with a conscience void of offence towards men: That so, we may be preserved pure and blameless, unto the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

And accept, O Lord, our intercessions, for all mankind. Let the light of thy Gospel shine upon all nations; and may as many as have received it, live as becomes it. Be gracious unto thy Church; and grant that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may serve thee faithfully. Bless all in authority over us; and so rule their hearts and strengthen their hands, that they may punish wickedness and vice, and maintain thy true religion and virtue. Send down thy blessings, temporal and spiritual, upon all our relations, friends, and neighbors. Reward all who have done us good, and pardon all those who have done or wish us evil, and give them repentance and better minds. Be

merciful to all who are in any trouble ; and do thou, the God of pity, administer to them according to their several necessities ; for his sake who went about doing good, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

To our prayers, O Lord, we join our unfeigned thanks for all thy mercies ; for our being, our reason, and all other endowments and faculties of soul and body ; for our health, friends, food, and raiment, and all the other comforts and conveniences of life. Above all, we adore thy mercy in sending thy only Son into the world, to redeem us from sin and eternal death, and in giving us the knowledge and sense of our duty towards thee. We bless thee for thy patience with us, notwithstanding our many and great provocations ; for all the directions, assistances, and comforts of thy Holy Spirit ; for thy continual care and watchful providence over us through the whole course of our lives ; and particularly for the mercies and benefits of the past day : beseeching thee to continue these thy blessings to us ; and to give us grace to show our thankfulness in a sincere obedience to his laws, through whose merits and intercession we received them all, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

In particular, we beseech thee to continue thy gracious protection to us this night. Defend us from all dangers and mischiefs, and from the fear of them ; that we may enjoy such refreshing sleep as may fit us for the duties of the following day.

Make us ever mindful of the time when we shall lie down in the dust; and grant us grace always to live in such a state, that we may never be afraid to die: so that, living and dying, we may be thine, through the merits and satisfaction of thy Son Christ Jesus, in whose Name we offer up these our imperfect prayers. *Amen.*

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HYMNS.

HYMN 1.

ABIDE with me! fast falls the eventide,
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me!

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay on all around I see:
O Thou, who changest not, abide with me!

I need thy presence every passing hour;
What, but thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me!

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows
flee:

In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

HYMN 2.

ACCORDING to thy gracious word,
In meek humility,
This will I do, my dying Lord,
I will remember thee.

Thy body, broken for my sake,
My bread from heaven shall be ;
Thy testamental cup I take,
And thus remember thee.

Gethsemane can I forget ?
Or there thy conflict see,
Thy agony and bloody sweat,
And not remember thee ?

When to the cross I turn my eyes,
And rest on Calvary,
O Lamb of God, my sacrifice,
I must remember thee—

Remember thee and all thy pains,
And all thy love to me ;
Yea, while a breath, a pulse remains,
Will I remember thee.

And when these failing lips grow dumb,
And mind and memory flee,
When thou shalt in thy kingdom come,
Jesus, remember me.

HYMN 3.

ALL hail the power of Jesus' name ;
Let angels prostrate fall,
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him—Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of our God,
Who from the Altar call ;
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod,
And crown Him—Lord of all.

Hail Him, the Heir of David's line,
Whom David, Lord did call ;
The God incarnate ! Man divine !
And crown Him—Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by his grace,
And crown Him—Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at His feet,
And crown Him—Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him—Lord of all.

HYMN 4.

AWAKE, my soul, in joyful lays,
And sing thy great Redeemer's praise,
He justly claims a song from me,
His lovingkindness, O how free !

When trouble, like a gloomy cloud,
Has gathered thick and thundered loud,
He near my soul has always stood,
His lovingkindness, O how good !

Often I feel my sinful heart
Prone from my Saviour to depart ;
But though I have him oft forgot,
His lovingkindness changes not.

Soon shall I pass the gloomy vale,
Soon all my mortal powers must fail ;
O may my last expiring breath
His lovingkindness sing in death.

Then let me mount and soar away
To the bright world of endless day ;
And sing, with rapture and surprise,
His lovingkindness in the skies.

HYMN 5.

BEFORE Jehovah's awful throne,
Ye nations bow, with sacred joy ;
Know that the Lord is God alone ;
He can create, and He destroy.

His sovereign power, without our aid,
Made us of clay, and formed us men ;
And when, like wandering sheep, we strayed,
He brought us to His fold again.

We are His people ; we His care ;
Our souls, and all our mortal frame :
What lasting honors shall we rear,
Almighty Maker, to Thy name ?

We'll crowd Thy gates, with thankful songs,
High as the heaven our voices raise ;
And Earth, with her ten thousand tongues,
Shall fill Thy courts with sounding praise.

Wide as the world, is Thy command ;
Vast as eternity Thy love ;
Firm as a rock Thy truth shall stand,
When rolling years shall cease to move.

HYMN 6.

BRIEF life is here our portion,
Brief sorrow, short-lived care ;
The life that knows no ending,
The tearless life is there.
Oh, happy retribution !
Short toil, eternal rest ;
For mortals and for sinners,
A mansion with the blest.

And now we fight the battle,
But then shall wear the crown
Of full and everlasting
And passionless renown.
The morning shall awaken,
The shadows pass away,
And each true-hearted servant
Shall shine as doth the day.

Oh, sweet and blessed country !
The home of God's elect ;
Oh, sweet and blessed country,
That eager hearts expect !
Jesus, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest !
Who art with God the Father,
And Spirit ever blest.

HYMN 7.

BRIGHTEST and best of the sons of the morning!

Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid !
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on His cradle the dew-drops are shining :
Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall ;
Angels adore Him in slumber reclining—
Maker, and Monarch, and Saviour of all.

Say, shall we yield Him, in costly devotion,
Odors of Edom, and offerings divine ?
Gems of the mountain. and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine ?

Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gold would His favor secure ;
Richer, by far, is the heart's adoration—
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning!
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid ;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

HYMN 8.

COME, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With light and comfort from above ;
Be Thou our guardian, Thou our guide,
O'er every thought and step preside.

The light of truth to us display,
And make us know and choose Thy way ;
Plant holy fear in every heart,
That we from God may ne'er depart.

Lead us to holiness, the road
That we must take to dwell with God;
Lead us to Christ, the living way,
Nor let us from His precepts stray.

Lead us to God, our final rest,
In his enjoyment to be bless'd;
Lead us to heaven, the seat of bliss,
Where pleasure in perfection is.

HYMN 9.

COME, thou Almighty King,
Help us thy name to sing,
Help us to praise:
Father all glorious,
O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us,
Ancient of days.

Jesus, our Lord, arise,
Scatter our enemies,
And make them fall;
Let thy almighty aid
Our sure defence be made,
Our souls on thee be stayed—
Lord, hear our call.

Come, thou incarnate Word,
Gird on thy mighty sword;
Our prayer attend:
Come and thy people bless,
And give thy word success;
Spirit of holiness,
On us descend.

Come, holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear,
In this glad hour ;
Thou who almighty art,
Now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of power.

To the great One in Three,
The highest praises be,
Hence evermore :
His sovereign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity
Love and adore.

HYMN 10.

COME, thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace ;
Streams of mercy never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God ;
He, to save my soul from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

Oh ! to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be !
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it—
Prone to leave the God I love—
Here's my heart—O take and seal it ;
Seal it from Thy courts above.

HYMN 11.

DO not I love Thee, O My Lord?
Behold my heart and see;
And turn the dearest idol out
That dares to rival Thee.

Is not Thy name melodious still
To mine attentive ear?
Doth not each pulse with pleasure bound,
My Saviour's voice to hear?

Hast thou a lamb in all Thy flock
I would disdain to feed?
Hast Thou a foe before whose face
I fear Thy cause to plead?

Thou know'st I love Thee, dearest Lord;
But O! I long to soar
Far from the sphere of mortal joys,
And learn to love thee more.

HYMN 12.

FATHER, a weary heart
Hath come to thee for peace;
The world hath not the healing art
To bid its troubles cease;
It brings before thy throne
Its weight of woe and care;
Do thou accept its pleading tone—
The contrite sinner's prayer.

Father—it hath rebelled,
Hath wandered from thy path,
Nor heeded when the thunder swelled,
The tempest of thy wrath;

But now, a bruised thing,
Neglected, pale, and bare,
Lo, at thy footstool it doth bring
The contrite sinner's prayer.

Father, it bends before
Thy throne among the bless'd ;
Peace to the wretched heart restore,
Give to the weary rest :
Through Christ's atonement given,
It trusteth yet to share
The glorious heritage of heaven,
By lowly, contrite prayer.

HYMN 13.

FATHER ! whate'er of earthly bliss
Thy sovereign will denies,
Accepted at Thy throne of grace,
Let this petition rise.

"Give me a calm, a thankful heart,
From every murmur free !
The blessings of Thy grace impart,
And make me live to Thee.

"Let the sweet hope that Thou art mine
My life and death attend ;
Thy presence through my journey shine,
And crown my journey's end."

HYMN 14.

FROM the recesses of a lowly spirit,
My humble prayer ascends—O Father, hear it !
Borne on the trembling wings of fear and meekness:
Forgives its weakness.

I know—I feel how mean, and how unworthy
The lowly sacrifice I pour before thee:
What can I offer thee, O thou most holy!
But sin and folly.

Lord, in thy sight, who every bosom viewest,
Cold in our warmest vows, and vain our truest;
Thoughts of a hurrying hour—our lips repeat them;
Our hearts forget them.

We see thy hand—it leads us—it supports us:
We hear thy voice—it counsels, and it courts us;
And then we turn away! and still thy kindness
Forgives our blindness!

Who can resist thy gentle call, appealing
To every generous thought and grateful feeling!
Oh! who can hear the accents of thy mercy,
And never love thee!

Kind Benefactor! plant within this bosom
The seeds of holiness, and let them blossom
In fragrance, and in beauty bright and vernal,
And spring eternal.

Then place them in those everlasting gardens,
Where angels walk, and seraphs are the wardens;
Where every flower, brought safe through death's
dark portal,
Becomes immortal.

HYMN 15.

G LORIOUS things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God!
He whose word can ne'er be broken
Formed thee for his own abode:

On the Rock of ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

Here the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove :
Who can faint while such a river
Ever flows their thirst t' assuage—
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver,
Never fails from age to age?

Saviour, if in Zion's city
Thou record my worthless name,
Let the world deride or pity,
I may well endure the shame :
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
All his boasted pomp and show ;
Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Zion's children know.

HYMN 16.

GLORY to God on high!
G Let heaven and earth reply,
Praise ye his name ;
His love and grace adore,
Who all our sorrows bore ;
And sing for evermore,
“Worthy the Lamb.”

Ye who surround the throne,
Join cheerfully in one,
Praising His name ;

Ye who have felt His blood
Sealing your peace with God,
Sound His dear name abroad :
“ Worthy the Lamb.”

Join, all ye ransomed race,
Our Lord and God to bless ;
Praise ye his name ;
In Him we will rejoice,
And make a joyful noise,
Shouting with heart and voice,
“ Worthy the Lamb.”

Soon must we change our place ;
Yet will we never cease
Praising his name ;
To Him our songs we'll bring,
Hail Him our gracious King,
And through all ages sing,
“ Worthy the Lamb.”

HYMN 17.

GLORY to thee, my God, this night,
For all the blessings of the light ;
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
Under thine own Almighty wings.

Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,
The ills that I this day have done ;
That with the world, myself, and Thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

Teach me to live, that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed ;
Teach me to die, that so I may
Triumphing rise at the last day.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below ;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host ;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

HYMN 18.

GOD shall charge his angel legions
Watch and ward o'er thee to keep ;
Though thou walk through hostile regions,
Though in desert wilds thou sleep.

On the lion vainly roaring,
On his young, thy foot shall tread ;
And, the dragon's den exploring,
Thou shalt bruise the serpent's head.

Since with pure and firm affection,
Thou on God hast set thy love,
With the wings of his protection
He will shield thee from above.

Thou shalt call on him in trouble,
He will hearken, he will save ;
Here for grief reward thee double,
Crown with life beyond the grave.

HYMN 19.

GO to dark Gethsemane,
Ye that feel the tempter's power,
Your Redeemer's conflict see,
Watch with Him one bitter hour ;
Turn not from His griefs away,
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment-hall ;
View the Lord of life arraigned ;

O the wormwood and the gall !
O the pangs His soul sustained !
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss ;
Learn of Him to bear the cross.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb ;
There, adoring at his feet,
Mark that miracle of time,
God's own sacrifice complete :
"It is finished"—hear him cry ;
Learn of Jesus Christ to die.

Early hasten to the tomb,
Where they laid His breathless clay ;
All is solitude and gloom,
—Who hath taken Him away ?
Christ is risen ; He meets our eyes ;
Saviour, teach us so to rise.

HYMN 20.

GUIDE me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land :
I am weak, but Thou art mighty,
Hold me with Thy powerful hand ;
Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more.

Open Thou the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing waters flow ;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar,
Lead me all my journey through ;
Strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside ;

Bear me through the swelling current,
Land me safe on Canaan's side ;
Songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee.

HYMN 21.

HAIL to the Lord's Anointed,
Great David's greater Son !
Hail, in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun !
He comes to break oppression,
To set the captive free,
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.

He comes, with succor speedy,
To those who suffer wrong ;
To help the poor and needy,
And bid the weak be strong :
To give them songs for sighing,
Their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying,
Were precious in His sight.

He shall come down, like showers
Upon the fruitful earth,
And love, and joy, like flowers,
Spring in His path to birth :
Before Him, on the mountains,
Shall peace, the herald, go ;
And righteousness, in fountains,
From hill to valley flow.

For Him shall prayer unceasing,
And daily vows ascend ;

His kingdom still increasing—
A kingdom without end :
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove ;
His name shall stand for ever ;
That name to us is—Love.

HYMN 22.

HOW gentle God's commands !
How kind his precepts are !
Come, cast your burdens on the Lord,
And trust his constant care.

Beneath his powerful sway,
His saints securely dwell ;
That hand which bears all nature up,
Will guide his children well.

Why should this anxious load
Press down your weary mind ?
Haste to your heavenly Father's throne,
And sweet refreshment find.

His goodness stands approved,
Renewed from day to day ;
I'll drop my burden at his feet,
And bear a song away.

HYMN 23.

I LOVE thy kingdom, Lord,
The house of thy abode,
The church our bless'd Redeemer saved
With his own precious blood.

I love thy church, O God ;
Her walls before thee stand,

Dear as the apple of thine eye,
And graven on thy hand.

Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heavenly ways,
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,
Her hymns of love and praise.

For her my tears shall fall,
For her my prayers ascend;
To her my cares and toils be given,
Till toils and cares shall end.

HYMN 24.

I LOVE to steal, awhile, away
From every cumbering care,
And spend the hours of setting day
In humble, grateful prayer.

I love, in solitude, to shed
The penitential tear;
And all His promises to plead,
When none but God is near.

I love to think on mercies past,
And future good implore;
My cares and sorrows all to cast
On Him whom I adore.

I love, by faith, to take a view
Of brighter scenes in heaven;
The prospect doth my strength renew,
While here by tempests driven.

And when life's toilsome day is o'er,
May its departing ray
Be calm as this impressive hour,
And lead to endless day.

HYMN 25.

IN the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me;
Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
Adds more lustre to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

HYMN 26.

I WOULD not live alway; I ask not to stay,
Where storm after storm rises dark o'er the way.
The few lurid mornings that dawn on us here,
Are enough for life's woes, full enough for its cheer.

I would not live alway; no—welcome the tomb,
Since Jesus has lain there, I dread not its gloom;
There, sweet be my rest, till He bid me arise
To hail Him in triumph descending the skies.

Who, who would live alway, away from his God ;
Away from yon heaven, that blissful abode,
Where the rivers of pleasure flow o'er the bright plains,
And the noontide of glory eternally reigns :

Where the saints of all ages in harmony meet,
Their Saviour and brethren transported to greet ;
While the anthems of rapture unceasingly roll,
And the smile of the Lord is the feast of the soul.

HYMN 27.

JERUSALEM, the golden !
With milk and honey bless'd ;
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice oppress'd.
I know not, oh ! I know not
What joys await me there ;
What radiancy of glory,
What bliss beyond compare.

They stand, those halls of Zion,
All jubilant with song,
And bright with many an angel,
And all the martyr throng.
There is the throne of David,
And there, from toil released,
The shout of them that triumph,
The song of them that feast.

And they who, with their Leader,
Have conquered in the fight ;
For ever, and for ever,
Are clad in robes of white.
Oh, land that seest no sorrow
Oh, state that fear'st no strife !
Oh, royal land of flowers !
Oh, realm and home of life !

HYMN 28.

JESUS, let thy pitying eye
Call back a wandering sheep;
False to thee, like Peter, I
Would fain like Peter weep;
Let me be by grace restored,
And to me thy mercy shown;
Turn and look upon me, Lord,
And break my heart of stone.

Saviour, Prince, enthroned above,
Repentance to impart,
Give me, through thy dying love,
The humble contrite heart:
This I should have long implored,
For thou all my sin hast known;
Turn and look upon me, Lord,
And break my heart of stone.

See me, Saviour, from above,
Nor suffer me to die;
Life and happiness and love
Fall from thy gracious eye:
Speak the reconciling word,
Let thy mercy melt me down;
Turn and look upon me, Lord,
And break my heart of stone.

HYMN 29.

JESUS, lover of my soul,
Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the billows near me roll,
While the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
Till the storm of life is past,
Safe into the haven guide;
O receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none—
Hangs my helpless soul on Thee ;
Leave, ah ! leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me ;
All my trust on Thee is stayed,
All my help from Thee I bring ;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want,
Boundless love in Thee I find.
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy name,
I am all unrighteousness ;
Vile and full of sin I am—
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found—
Grace to pardon all my sin ;
Let the healing streams abound,
Make and keep me pure within ;
Thou of life the fountain art,
Freely let me take of Thee ;
Spring Thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.

HYMN 30.

JUST as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot ;
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
With fears within, and foes without,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am—poor, wretched, blind—
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve ;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, Thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down ;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

HYMN 31.

L AMB of God! whose bleeding love
We now recall to mind,
Send the answer from above,
And let us mercy find.
Think on us, who think on Thee,
Every burdened soul release ;
O remember Calvary,
And bid us go in peace

By Thine agonizing pain,
And bloody sweat, we pray ;
By Thy dying love to man,
Take all our sins away ;
Burst our bonds and set us free,
From all sin do Thou release ;
O remember Calvary,
And bid us go in peace !

Let Thy blood, by faith applied,
The sinner's pardon seal;
Own us freely justified,
And all our sickness heal
By Thy passion on the tree,
Let our griefs and troubles cease;
O remember Calvary,
And bid us go in peace!

HYMN 32.

LORD, dismiss us with thy blessing,
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us, each thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace;
Oh refresh us,
Travelling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give, and adoration,
For thy gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of thy salvation
In our hearts and lives abound;
May thy presence
With us evermore be found.

So, whene'er the signal's given,
Us from earth to call away,
Borne on angels' wings to heaven,
Glad the summons to obey—
May we, ready,
Rise and reign in endless day.

HYMN 33.

LORD, I hear of showers of blessing,
Thou art scattering full and free;

Showers the thirsty land refreshing ;
Let some droppings fall on me.
Even me, even me,
Let some droppings fall on me.

Pass me not, O God, my Father,
Sinful though my heart may be ;
Thou might'st leave me, but the rather
Let thy mercy fall on me.
Even me, &c.

Pass me not, O gracious Saviour ;
Let me live and cling to thee :
Fain I'm longing for thy favor ;
Whilst thou'rt calling, call for me—
Even me, &c.

Pass me not, O mighty Spirit,
Thou canst make the blind to see :
Witnesses of Jesus' merit,
Speak the word of power to me—
Even me, &c.

Love of God, so pure and changeless ;
Blood of Christ so rich and free ;
Grace of God, so rich and boundless,
Magnify it all in me,—
Even me, &c.

Pass me not, thy lost one bringing ;
Bind my heart, O Lord, to thee ;
Whilst the streams of life are springing,
Blessing others, O, bless me,—
Even me, &c.

HYMN 34.

MARY to the Saviour's tomb
Hasted at the early dawn,

Spice she brought, and sweet perfume,
But the Lord she loved had gone.
For awhile, she lingering stood,
Filled with sorrow and surprise;
Trembling, while a crystal flood
Issued from her weeping eyes.

But her sorrows quickly fled
When she heard his welcome voice;
Christ had risen from the dead,
Now He bids her heart rejoice;
What a change His word can make,
Turning darkness into day!
Ye who weep for Jesus' sake,
He will wipe your tears away.

HYMN 35.

MY faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Saviour divine:
Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine.

May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;
As Thou hast died for me,
O may my love to Thee,
Pure, warm, and changeless be—
A living fire.

While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;

Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll ;
Blest Saviour, then, in love,
Fear and distress remove ;
O bear me safe above—
A ransomed soul.

HYMN 36.

NEARER, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee,
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me ;
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee—
Nearer to Thee !

Though, like the wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone ;
Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my God, to Thee—
Nearer to Thee !

There let the way appear,
Steps unto heaven ;
All that Thou sendest me,
In mercy given ;
Angels to beckon me
Nearer, my God, to Thee—
Nearer to Thee !

Then with my waking thoughts,
Bright with Thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs,
Bethel I'll raise ;
So by my woes to be
Nearer, my God, to Thee—
Nearer to Thee!

Or if on joyful wing,
Cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot,
Upward I fly,
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee—
Nearer to Thee.

HYMN 37.

NEAR me, O my Saviour, stand,
In sore temptation's hour ;
Save me with thy outstretched hand,
And show forth all thy power ;
Oh be mindful of thy word ;
All-sufficient grace bestow ;
Keep me, keep me, gracious Lord,
And never let me go.

Give me, Lord, a holy fear,
And fix it in my heart ;
That I may from evil near
With timely care depart :
Sin be more than hell abhorred,
Faith resist the tyrant foe ;
Keep me, keep me, gracious Lord,
And never let me go.

Never let me leave thy breast, .
Or from my Saviour stray ;

Thou art my support and rest,
My true and living way ;
My exceeding great reward,
Mine above, and mine below ;
Keep me, keep me, gracious Lord,
And never let me go.

HYMN 38.

O COME, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant ;
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem ;
Come and behold Him
Born, the King of Angels ;
O come let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb ;
Very God,
Begotten, not created ;
O come, let us adore Him, &c.

Sing, choirs of Angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
Glory to God
In the highest ;
O come let us adore Him, &c.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
Born this happy morning ;
Jesus, to Thee be glory given :
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing,
O come, let us adore Him, &c.

HYMN 39.

O FOR a closer walk with God !
A calm and heavenly frame !
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb !

Where is the blessedness I knew
When first I saw the Lord ?
Where is the soul-refreshing view
Of Jesus and His word ?

What peaceful hours I once enjoyed !
How sweet their memory still !
But they have left an aching void
The world can never fill.

Return, O holy Dove, return,
Sweet messenger of rest ;
I hate the sins that made Thee mourn,
And drove Thee from my breast.

The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from Thy throne,
And worship only Thee.

So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame ;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

HYMN 40.

O LORD ! I would delight in Thee,
And on thy care depend ;
To Thee in every trouble flee,
My best, my only Friend.

When all created streams are dried,
Thy fulness is the same;
May I with this be satisfied,
And glory in Thy name!

No good in creatures can be found
But may be found in Thee;
I must have all things, and abound,
While God is God to me.

O Lord! I cast my care on Thee;
I triumph and adore:
Henceforth my great concern shall be
To love and please Thee more.

HYMN 41.

O SACRED Head, now wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down;
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns, Thy only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory,
What bliss till now was Thine!
Yet though despised and gory,
I joy to call Thee mine.

O noblest brow and dearest,
In other days the world
All feared when Thou appearedst
What shame on thee is hurled;
How art Thou pale with anguish,
With sore abuse and scorn!
How does that visage languish,
Which once was bright as morn!

What language shall I borrow,
To thank Thee, dearest Friend,

For this Thy dying sorrow,
Thy pity without end!
O make me thine for ever,
And should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never
Outlive my love to Thee.

If I, a wretch, should leave Thee,
O Jesus leave not me;
In faith may I receive Thee,
When death shall set me free.
When strength and comfort languish,
And I must hence depart,
Release me then from anguish,
By thine own wounded heart.

Be near when I am dying,
O show Thy cross to me!
And for my succor flying,
Come, Lord, to set me free.
These eyes new faith receiving,
From Jesus shall not move;
For he who dies believing,
Dies safely—through Thy love.

HYMN 42.

O THAT my load of sin were gone!
O that I could at last submit
At Jesus' feet to lay it down;
To lay my soul at Jesus' feet!

Rest for my soul I long to find;
Saviour of all, if mine Thou art,
Give me Thy meek and lowly mind,
And stamp Thine image on my heart.

Break off the yoke of inbred sin,
And fully set my spirit free ;
I cannot rest, till pure within,
Till I am wholly lost in Thee.

Fain would I learn of Thee, my God ;
Thy light and easy burden prove,
The cross all stained with hallowed blood,
The labor of Thy dying love.

I would, but Thou must give the power,
My heart from every sin release ;
Bring near, bring near the joyful hour,
And fill me with Thy perfect peace.

HYMN 43.

O THOU, from whom all goodness flows,
I lift my soul to Thee ;
In all my sorrows, conflicts, woes,
O Lord, remember me !

If, for Thy sake, upon my name
Reproach and shame shall be,
I'll hail reproach, and welcome shame ;
O Lord, remember me !

When worn with pain, disease, and grief,
This feeble body see ;
Grant patience, rest, and kind relief ;
O Lord, remember me !

When, in the solemn hour of death,
I wait Thy just decree,
Be this the prayer of my last breath—
O Lord, remember me !

And when before Thy throne I stand,
And lift my soul to Thee,
Thou, with the saints at Thy right hand,
O Lord, remember me!

HYMN 44.

ROCK of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From thy side, a healing flood,
Be of sin the double cure,
Save from wrath, and make me pure.

Should my tears for ever flow,
Should my zeal no languor know,
This for sin could not atone,
Thou must save, and thou alone;
In my hand no price I bring,
Simply to thy cross I cling.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyelids close in death,
When I rise to worlds unknown,
And behold thee on thy throne,
Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee.

HYMN 45.

SAVIOUR! breathe an evening blessing,
Ere repose our eyelids seal;
Sin and want we come confessing;
Thou canst save, and Thou canst heal.

Though destruction walk around us,
Though the arrows past us fly,
Angel-guards from Thee surround us—
We are safe, if Thou art nigh.

Though the night be dark and dreary,
Darkness cannot hide from Thee :
Thou art He who, never weary,
Watcheth where Thy people be.

Should swift death this night o'ertake us,
And our couch become our tomb,
May the morn in heaven awake us,
Clad in bright and deathless bloom.

HYMN 46.

SAVIOUR, when in dust to Thee
Low we bow the adoring knee :
When repentant, to the skies
Scarce we lift our streaming eyes ;
O, by all Thy pains and woe,
Suffered once for man below,
Bending from Thy throne on high
Hear our solemn litany.

By Thy birth and early years,
By Thy human griefs and fears,
By Thy fasting and distress
In the lonely wilderness,
By Thy victory in the hour
Of the subtle tempter's power ;
Jesus, look with pitying eye,
Hear our solemn litany.

By Thine hour of dark despair,
By Thine agony of prayer,
By the purple robe of scorn,
By Thy wounds, Thy crown of thorn,
By Thy cross, Thy pangs and cries,
By Thy perfect sacrifice :
Jesus, look with pitying eye,
Hear our solemn litany.

By Thy deep expiring groan,
By the sealed sepulchral stone,
By Thy triumph o'er the grave,
By Thy power from death to save :
Mighty God, ascended Lord,
To Thy throne in heaven restored,
Prince and Saviour, hear our cry,
Hear our solemn litany.

HYMN 47.

SOFTLY now the light of day
Fades upon my sight away :
Free from care, from labor free,
Lord, I would commune with thee :

Thou, whose all-pervading eye
Naught escapes, without, within,
Pardon each infirmity,
Open fault and secret sin.

When, for me, the light of day
Shall for ever pass away ;
Then, from sin and sorrow free,
Take me, Lord, to dwell with thee :

Thou who, sinless, yet hast known
All of man's infirmity ;
Then, from thine eternal throne,
Jesus, look with pitying eye.

HYMN 48.

SUN of my soul, thou Saviour dear,
It is not night if thou be near ;
O, may no earth-born cloud arise
To hide thee from thy servant's eyes.

When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently steep,
Be my last thought how sweet to rest
For ever on my Saviour's breast.

Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without thee I cannot live ;
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without thee I dare not die.

If some poor wandering child of thine
Have spurned to-day the voice divine,
Now, Lord, the gracious work begin ;
Let him no more lie down in sin.

Watch by the sick ; enrich the poor
With blessings from thy boundless store ;
Be every mourner's sleep to-night,
Like infant slumbers, pure and light.

Come near and bless us when we wake,
Ere through the world our way to take,
Till in the ocean of thy love
We lose ourselves in heaven above.

HYMN 49.

THE Lord our God is full of might,
The winds obey His will ;
He speaks, and, in His heavenly height,
The rolling sun stands still.

Rebel, ye waves ! and o'er the land,
With threatening aspect roar ;
The Lord uplifts His awful hand,
And chains you to the shore.

Howl, winds of night! your force combine;
Without His high behest
Ye shall not, in the mountain pine,
Disturb the sparrow's nest.

His voice sublime is heard afar,
In distant peals it dies;
He yokes the whirlwind to his car,
And sweeps the howling skies.

Ye nations! bend—in reverence bend;
Ye monarchs! wait His nod,
And bid the choral song ascend
To celebrate your God.

HYMN 50.

THE Son of God goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood-red banner streams afar;
Who follows in His train?
Who best can drink his cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears his cross below,
He follows in His train.

The martyr first, whose eagle eye
Could pierce beyond the grave,
Who saw his Master in the sky,
And called on Him to save.
Like Him with pardon on his tongue,
In midst of mortal pain,
He prayed for them that did the wrong;
Who follows in his train?

A glorious band, the chosen few
On whom the Spirit came,

Twelve valiant saints, their hope they knew,
And mocked the cross and flame.
They met the tyrant's brandished steel,
The lions' gory mane,
They bowed their necks, the death to feel;
Who follows in their train?

A noble army, men and boys,
The matron and the maid,
Around the Saviour's throne rejoice,
In robes of light arrayed.
They climbed the steep ascent of heaven,
Through peril, toil and pain :
O God, to us may grace be given
To follow in their train !

HYMN 51.

THERE is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins ;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day ;
And there may I, as vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.

Dear, dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved, to sin no more.

E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be, till I die.

Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
I'll sing Thy power to save,
When this poor lisping, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave.

HYMN 52.

THOU art the Way—to thee alone
From sin and death we flee ;
And he who would the Father seek,
Must seek him, Lord, in thee,

Thou art the Truth—thy word alone
True wisdom can impart ;
Thou only canst instruct the mind,
And purify the heart.

Thou art the Life—the rending tomb
Proclaims thy conquering arm ;
And those who put their trust in thee
Nor death nor hell shall harm.

HYMN 53.

WHEN, marshalled on the nightly plain,
The glittering host bestud the sky,
One star alone, of all the train,
Can fix the sinner's wandering eye.

Hark! hark! to God the chorus breaks,
From every host, from every gem ;
But one alone the Saviour speaks,
It is the Star of Bethlehem.

Once on the raging seas I rode—
The storm was loud, the night was dark ;
The ocean yawned—and rudely blowed
The wind that tossed my foundering bark.

Deep horror then my vitals froze ;
Death-struck, I ceased the tide to stem,
When suddenly a star arose,
It was the Star of Bethlehem.

It was my guide, my light, my all ;
It bade my dark forebodings cease ;
And through the storm, and danger's thrall,
It led me to the port of peace.

Now safely moored—my perils o'er,
I'll sing, first in night's diadem,
For ever and for evermore,
The Star—the Star of Bethlehem.

HYMN 54.

WHEN I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God ;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down :
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown ?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small :
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

HYMN 55.

WHILE Thee I seek, protecting Power,
Be my vain wishes stilled ;
And may this consecrated hour
With better hopes be filled.

Thy love the powers of thought bestowed ;
To Thee my thoughts would soar ;
Thy mercy o'er my life has flowed ;
That mercy I adore.

In each event of life, how clear
Thy ruling hand I see !
Each blessing to my soul more dear,
Because conferred by Thee.

In every joy that crowns my days,
In every pain I bear,
My heart shall find delight in praise,
Or seek relief in prayer.

When gladness wings my favored hour,
Thy love my thoughts shall fill ;
Resigned, when storms of sorrow lower,
My soul shall meet Thy will.

My lifted eye, without a tear,
The gathering storm shall see ;
My steadfast heart shall know no fear
That heart shall rest on Thee.

HYMN 56.

WITH silence only as their benediction,
God's angels come,
Where, in the shadow of a great affliction,
The soul sits dumb.

Yet would we say what every heart approveth—
Our Father's will,
Calling to Him the dear ones whom he loveth
Is mercy still.

Not upon us or ours the solemn angel
Hath evil wrought :
The funeral anthem is a glad evangel ;
The good die not !

God calls our loved ones, but we lose not wholly
What He has given ;
They live on earth in thought and deed, as truly
As in His heaven.

HYMN 57.

YES, for me, for me he careth,
With a brother's tender care,
Yes, with me, with me he shareth
Every burden, every fear

Yes, for me he standeth pleading
At the mercy-seat above ;
Ever for me interceding,
Constant in untiring love.

Yes, in me abroad he sheddeth
Joys unearthly, love and light ;
And to cover me he spreadeth
His paternal wing of night.

Yes, in me, in me he dwelleth ;
I in him and he in me !
And my empty soul he filleth,
Here and through eternity.

Thus I wait for his returning,
Singing all the way to heaven;
Such the joyful song of morning,
Such the tranquil song of even.

DOXOLOGIES.

58.

PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

59.

LET God, the Father, and the Son,
And Spirit be adored,
Where there are works to make him known,
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